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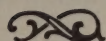
ANNUAL REPORT

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**TOWN OF DORSET, MUNICIPAL OFFICE
EAST DORSET, TELEPHONE 362-1178**

	OFFICE HOURS	
TOWN MANAGER	9:00-12:00	Mon-Fri
TOWN CLERK	9:00-12:00	Mon-Thurs
	1:00- 4:00	Fri

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1983 TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator, Town	Term expires 1984	Rhys Evans
Moderator, School	Term expires 1984	Rhys Evans
Town Clerk, Town	Term expires 1984	*Denise M. Hebert
Town Clerk, School	Term expires 1984	*Denise M. Hebert
Town Treasurer, Town	Term expires 1986	Warren Crawford
Town Treasurer, School	Term expires 1986	Warren Crawford
Selectmen —		
Term expires 1986	3 year term	*Robert D. Thum
Term expires 1984	1 year term	William Calfee
Term expires 1984	3 year term	William J. Mahlmann
Term expires 1985	3 year term	Robert Wells Brown
Term expires 1984	1 year term	Charles Stewart
School Directors —		
Term expires 1985	3 year term	Geoffrey Norman
Term expires 1986	3 year term	Ruth R. McGrath
Term expires 1984	2 year term	*Cheryl Dresnok
Term expires 1985	2 year term	John P. Stannard
Term expires 1984	3 year term	Peter Dee
Listers —		
Term expires 1984	2 year term	William T. Burns, Sr.
Term expires 1986	3 year term	Joyce Bellafato
Term expires 1985	3 year term	John R. Bose
Auditors —		
Term expires 1985	3 year term	Nellie L. Mossey
Term expires 1986	3 year term	Charles Uhlig
Term expires 1984	3 year term	Henry Van Loon
First Constable		
Term expires 1984	1 year term	John H. Coolidge
Second Constable		
Term expires 1984	1 year term	Theron D. Trombley
Tax Collector, Town & School		
Term expires 1984	1 year term	Harold R. Beebe
Grand Juror, West Side		
Term expires 1984	1 year term	Charles T. Neave
Grand Juror, East Side		
Term expires 1984	1 year term	Byron Bowen
Town Agent		
Term expires 1984	1 year term	Malcolm Cooper, Sr.

*Replacement made by the Selectmen

Denise M. Hebert to replace Margaret Phillips Burden, until March 6, 1984.

Robert D. Thum to replace Robert D. Thum, until March 6, 1984.

Cheryl Dresnok to replace Dennis R. Burden, balance of term.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The year 1983 was again a full and significant year for the Board of Selectmen.

1. As in 1982, negotiations continued to make sure the Town of Dorset would continue to have a landfill facility adequate for the town's needs for the foreeeable future at a reasonable cost. There was not a meeting held with the various agencies that was not attended by the town manager or by at least one of the selectmen. As of this date we still have a place to dump our garbage and have a five year contract with the current owner to ensure that right.

2. Pursuant to state law, Dorset's Zoning Bylaws were up for their 5 year review. The Selectmen appointed a review board of five members, chaired by Kathleen Ludlam, who worked hard and diligently at the arduous task of considering amendments that they thought necessary. This review board of Kathleen Ludlam, Arthur Gilbert, Charles Uhlig, Barbara Ketchum, and Lionel Atwill should be commended for the hard and tedious job they accomplished. Public hearings were held by the review board, the planning commission, and selectmen, and the citizens of the town will vote on those amendments by Australian ballot after any further discussion at Town Meeting.

3. A complete reappraisal of property values is being conducted by our listers. It is almost completed by dint of the hard work of Bill Burns, John Bose, and Joyce Bellafato. A large savings of money to the town was effected by not having to use an independent appraisal firm. These hard working people should be given great credit for their difficult and not always pleasant labors on behalf of the town.

4. The town hall renovation was started, using money set aside for that purpose. This project was supervised by the town manager and selectmen Wells Brown and Bill Mahlmann. Concrete was poured for the vault and foundations and the addition was completely enclosed and under cover by the first snowfall. Spring should see its completion. Again, we feel that this renovation of the town hall facility is being done with high quality workmanship and with considerable savings to the townspeople.

5. The town tax rate again reflects efficient government. Financial statements and books of the town are audited by an independent Certified Public Accounting firm annually. There is a complete audit trail of all financial transactons of the town.

6. To assist in liason and cooperation between the board of selectmen and the planning commission, two selectmen attended each of the planning commission meetings as non-voting observers. It might be of interest to the town to know that some or all the selectmen attended 50 meetings during the past year to represent the town of Dorset or act in their interest.

7. In reading the budget in the town report, you will note that interest expense was budgeted as \$2000 but was actually \$7356. However, please note the offsetting \$8665 in the income column.

8. The town manager and his excellent road crew continue to do an excellent job of maintaining our 40 miles of roads. The selectmen believe that the town owes them a sincere and hearty pat on the back for the tough job they do under some severe weather conditions at all times of day and night.

Board of Selectmen:
Robert Thum
Wells Brown
William Mahlmann
William Calfee
Charles Stewart

TOWN AUDITORS REPORT

We have reviewed the audit of the Town's accounts as made by Main Hurdman, accountants of Bennington, and those of the Dorset school system as made by Richard Engle of Manchester and find them in order. We have also approved a request by the Selectmen that their pay be increased. Considering the hours they now have to give and increased travel costs we feel their request is reasonable.

We have been fortunate, in recent years, in having a group well versed in handling money in our government and hope this may continue.

As the Town Reports become more detailed, more time is needed to get the material to the printers who are, themselves, having to handle more material from each town. Some procedure should be worked out to help relieve this situation.

Henry van Loon
Nellie L. Mossey
Charles W. Uhlig



TOWN OF DORSET

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
WITH ACCOMPANYING INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1983

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REPORT OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

TOWN OF DORSET
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
WITH ACCOMPANYING INFORMATION
Year Ended December 31, 1983

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The Selectmen and Town Auditors
Town of Dorset
Dorset, Vermont

We have examined the financial statements (pages 2 through 8) of the Town of Dorset as of December 31, 1983. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements (pages 2 through 8) present fairly the financial position of the various funds of the Town of Dorset at December 31, 1983, and the results of their operations and changes in their fund balances for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Main Hurdman

January 12, 1984

TOWN OF DORSET

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUP

December 31, 1983

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Group	Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General Fund	Equipment Replacement Fund	Revenue Sharing Fund	Trust Funds	General Fixed Assets	
<u>ASSETS</u>						
Cash	\$45,655	\$25,132	\$97	\$2,880		\$73,764
Certificates of deposit		171,370	7,536	126,890		305,796
Property taxes receivable, less allowance for uncollectible						
accounts of \$2,300	22,033					22,033
Marketable securities, at cost				2,704	\$364,024	2,704
(approximate market value \$3,202)						364,024
Prepaid expenses	2,700					2,700
Property and equipment	<u>\$70,388</u>	<u>\$196,502</u>	<u>\$7,633</u>	<u>\$132,474</u>	<u>\$364,024</u>	<u>\$771,021</u>
<u>LIABILITIES,</u>						
<u>RESERVES AND FUND BALANCES</u>						
Accounts payable	\$296					\$296
Accrued payroll taxes and retirement expense	5,265					5,265
Advance tax payments	51,513					51,513
Investment in general fixed assets						
Fund balance	<u>13,314</u>	<u>\$196,502</u>	<u>\$7,633</u>	<u>\$132,474</u>	<u>\$364,024</u>	<u>\$771,021</u>
	<u>\$70,388</u>	<u>\$196,502</u>	<u>\$7,633</u>	<u>\$132,474</u>	<u>\$364,024</u>	<u>\$771,021</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF DORSET

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES

Year Ended December 31, 1983

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Fiduciary Fund Type</u>	<u>Totals (Memorandum Only)</u>
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Equipment Replacement Fund</u>	<u>Revenue Sharing Funds</u>	<u>Trust Funds</u>	
Revenues:					
Taxes	\$1,039,847				\$1,039,847
Permits and licenses	2,252				2,252
Fees	14,275				14,275
Intergovernment revenues	46,220		\$16,557		62,777
Interest	13,500	\$17,749	3,016	\$13,794	48,059
Other	1,620				1,620
Fines collected				2,383	2,383
	<u>1,117,714</u>	<u>17,749</u>	<u>19,573</u>	<u>16,177</u>	<u>1,171,213</u>
Expenditures:					
Administration	109,340				109,340
Appropriations	4,350		29,075	3,901	37,326
General services	224,616				224,616
School district	811,834				811,834
	<u>1,150,140</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,075</u>	<u>3,901</u>	<u>1,183,116</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures, before operating transfers	(32,426)	17,749	(9,502)	12,276	(11,903)
Operating transfers in (out)	<u>44,208</u>	<u>(19,396)</u>	<u>(20,925)</u>	<u>(3,887)</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	11,782	(1,647)	(30,427)	8,389	(11,903)
Fund balance, January 1, 1983	<u>1,532</u>	<u>198,149</u>	<u>38,060</u>	<u>124,085</u>	<u>361,826</u>
Fund balance, December 31, 1983	<u>\$13,314</u>	<u>\$196,502</u>	<u>\$7,633</u>	<u>\$132,474</u>	<u>\$349,923</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

TOWN OF DORSET

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

GENERAL FUND

Year Ended December 31, 1983

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
Revenues:			
Taxes:			
General fund	\$205,323	\$226,599	\$21,276
School district	811,834	811,834	-
State owned properties	-	1,414	1,414
	<u>1,017,157</u>	<u>1,039,847</u>	<u>22,690</u>
Permits and licenses:			
Alcoholic beverages	800	800	-
Dog licenses	1,000	1,408	408
Zoning	150	44	(106)
	<u>1,950</u>	<u>2,252</u>	<u>302</u>
Intergovernment revenue:			
State shared interests:			
State highway aid	36,000	44,060	8,060
School district	1,800	2,160	360
	<u>37,800</u>	<u>46,220</u>	<u>8,420</u>
Fees and charges:			
Forest monies	500	-	(500)
Town clerk fees	-	9,065	9,065
Delinquent tax collector fees	-	5,210	5,210
	<u>500</u>	<u>14,275</u>	<u>13,775</u>
Interest earnings	-	13,500	13,500
Other income	-	1,620	1,620
	<u>-</u>	<u>15,120</u>	<u>15,120</u>
	<u>1,057,407</u>	<u>1,117,714</u>	<u>60,307</u>

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TOWN OF DORSET

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

GENERAL FUND

Year Ended December 31, 1983

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Expenditures:			
Administration:			
Town Manager's salary	\$22,837	\$23,715	\$(878)
Town Manager's expense	3,683	3,745	(62)
Selectmen's salaries	1,250	1,250	-
Listers' salaries	10,000	9,187	813
Town Clerk's salary	2,000	2,000	-
Town Clerk fees	-	8,773	(8,773)
Assistant Town Clerk's salary	700	616	84
Town Treasurer's salary	450	450	-
Town Auditors' salaries	450	43	407
Town office maintenance	750	822	(72)
Listers' expense	4,000	2,312	1,688
Town Clerk's office expense	2,000	3,110	(1,110)
Town office salaries	4,600	4,370	230
Constables' salaries and police department expense	3,500	2,895	605
Outside auditors	2,750	2,750	-
Utilities	3,800	4,294	(494)
Town office, treasurer and tax collector expense	1,375	6,485	(5,110)
Town reports, printing and postage	1,725	1,891	(166)
Legal expense and professional services	4,000	10,343	(6,343)
Town meeting and election expense	1,200	735	465
Payroll tax expense	8,050	7,618	432
County tax and assessments	6,200	5,755	445
Computer	1,800	1,347	453
Planning commission and zoning expense	2,450	2,298	152
Board of Civil Authority	1,400	551	849
Extension Service	1,985	1,985	-
	<u>92,955</u>	<u>109,340</u>	<u>(16,385)</u>

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TOWN OF DORSET

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

GENERAL FUND

Year Ended December 31, 1983

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
Appropriations:			
East Dorset Fire District	\$1,200	\$1,200	-
Dorset Fire District	1,200	1,200	-
Dorset Village Library	250	250	-
Memorial Day Observance	300	300	-
Animal Shelter	550	550	-
Regional Planning Commission	850	850	-
	<u>4,350</u>	<u>4,350</u>	<u>-</u>
General services:			
Insurance and bonds	12,500	10,221	\$2,279
Health insurance	7,000	8,364	(1,364)
Interest expense	2,000	7,356	(5,356)
Town shed	850	94	756
Highway and roads	96,350	99,878	(3,528)
Equipment maintenance	26,575	17,988	8,587
Equipment purchases	600	-	600
Contingent fund	700	833	(133)
Landfill	11,050	10,658	392
Dispatch system	7,500	7,500	-
Employees' Christmas	125	125	-
Vermont Municipal Employees'			
Retirement System	2,900	3,343	(443)
Vermont League of Cities and Towns	475	461	14
Dog damage	600	10	590
Dorset fire permits	75	61	14
Fourth of July celebration	500	500	-
R.S.V.P.	-	1,000	(1,000)
Southwestern Vermont Area			
Agency on Aging	-	1,500	(1,500)
Town office building	-	35,328	(35,328)
Highway equipment purchase	-	19,396	(19,396)
	<u>169,800</u>	<u>224,616</u>	<u>(54,816)</u>
Total general fund	<u>267,105</u>	<u>338,306</u>	<u>(71,201)</u>
School District	<u>811,834</u>	<u>811,834</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1,078,939</u>	<u>1,150,140</u>	<u>(71,201)</u>

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TOWN OF DORSET

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 GENERAL FUND

Year Ended December 31, 1983

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures before operating transfers	<u>\$ (21,532)</u>	<u>\$ (32,426)</u>	<u>\$ (10,894)</u>
Operating transfers in (out):			
Town office building account	-	15,328	15,328
Revenue sharing	20,000	20,925	925
Police Account	-	1,559	1,559
Equipment Replacement Fund	-	19,396	19,396
Bridge No. 23	<u>-</u>	<u>(13,000)</u>	<u>(13,000)</u>
	<u>20,000</u>	<u>44,208</u>	<u>24,208</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(1,532)	11,782	13,314
Fund balance, January 1, 1983	<u>1,532</u>	<u>1,532</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance (deficit), December 31, 1983	<u>-</u>	<u>\$13,314</u>	<u>\$13,314</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral
 part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The accounting policies of the Town of Dorset conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental units. The accrual basis of accounting is followed (with minor exceptions) by all funds other than the General Fund which utilizes the modified accrual basis of accounting.

General Fixed Assets

The basis of the various items comprising property and equipment is recorded at original cost where available, or at estimated cost, replacement value or market value as most readily determinable.

Retirement Plan

The Town of Dorset funds accrued pension cost of its contributory retirement plan covering all full-time employees. Such Town employees are members of the state administered Vermont Employees' Retirement Fund. Prior service cost under the plan is being amortized over 30 years.

2 - Litigation

The Town is a defendant in a legal proceeding arising from an automobile accident involving Town equipment. The amount of damage claim is within the limits of the Town's liability insurance. Accordingly, no provision for such claim has been made in the financial statements.

3 - Town Office Building

During 1983, the Town commenced a major renovation of the Town office building. Officials of the Town have estimated that the total cost of the renovation will amount to approximately \$80,000. During 1983, construction costs incurred on this project and included in General Fund expenditures amounted to \$35,328.

ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INFORMATION ACCOMPANYING
THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our examination of the basic financial statements presented in the preceding section of this report was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on such financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying information shown on pages 10 through 17 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the examination of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Main Hurdman

Certified Public Accountants

Bennington, Vermont
January 12, 1984

TOWN OF DORSET
TRUST FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 1983

	Allen Trust Fund	Dillon Trust Fund	East Dorset Cemetery Fund	Office Building	Furnace	Police Account	Flood Money	Glebe Land Sales Fund	Unemployment Insurance Fund	Sign Fund	Recreational Development Fund	Landfill	Bridge No. 23	Totals Year Ended Dec. 31, 1983
<u>ASSETS</u>														
Cash - savings accounts	\$385					\$1,220				\$1,275				\$2,880
- certificates of deposit		\$20,000		\$10,290	\$9,455	4,966	\$8,833	\$1,500	\$16,722		\$12,795	\$29,329	\$13,000	126,890
Marketable securities, at cost (market value \$3,202)			\$2,704											2,704
	<u>\$385</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>	<u>\$2,704</u>	<u>\$10,290</u>	<u>\$9,455</u>	<u>\$6,186</u>	<u>\$8,833</u>	<u>\$1,500</u>	<u>\$16,722</u>	<u>\$1,275</u>	<u>\$12,795</u>	<u>\$29,329</u>	<u>\$13,000</u>	<u>\$132,474</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>														
Fund balance:														
Restricted	\$100	\$20,000	\$2,704	\$10,290	\$9,455	\$6,186	\$8,833	\$1,500	\$16,722	\$1,275	\$12,795	\$29,329	\$13,000	\$22,804
Unrestricted	<u>285</u>													<u>109,670</u>
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TOWN OF DORSET
TRUST FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 1983

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TOWN OF DORSET
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
Year Ended December 31, 1983

	Allen Trust Fund	Dillon Trust Fund	East Dorset Cometary Fund	Office Building	Purposes	Police Account	Flood Money	Glebe Land Sales	Unemployment Insurance	Sign Development Fund	Recreational Development Fund	Landfill	Bridge No. 23	Totals Year Ended Dec. 31, 1983
Revenues:														
Interest income	\$20	\$3,324	\$292	\$3,187	\$781	\$503	\$694	\$48	\$1,381	\$85	\$1,057	\$2,422		\$13,794
Fines collected						2,383								2,383
	20	3,324	292	3,187	781	2,886	694	48	1,381	85	1,057	2,422	-	16,177
Expenditures:														
Appropriations	-	3,324	529	-	-	-	-	48	-	-	-	-	-	3,901
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures before operating transfers	20	-	(237)	3,187	781	2,886	694	-	1,381	85	1,057	2,422	-	12,276
Operating transfers in (out)				(15,328)		(1,559)							\$13,000	(3,887)
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	20	-	(237)	(12,141)	781	1,327	694	-	1,381	85	1,057	2,422	13,000	8,389
Fund balance, January 1, 1983	365	20,000	2,941	22,431	8,674	4,859	8,139	1,500	15,341	1,190	11,738	26,907	-	124,085
Fund balance, December 31, 1983	\$385	\$20,000	\$2,704	\$10,290	\$9,455	\$6,186	\$8,833	\$1,500	\$16,722	\$1,275	\$12,795	\$29,329	\$13,000	\$132,474

TOWN OF DORSET

STATEMENT OF GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

December 31, 1983

Land	\$9,900
Buildings	126,328
Equipment, furniture and fixtures	<u>227,796</u>
	<u>\$364,024</u>
Investment in general fixed assets	<u>\$364,024</u>

TOWN OF DORSET

REVENUE SHARING FUND

SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Year Ended December 31, 1983

Appropriations:

Dorset School District - Non-labor budgeting purposes	\$15,675
Northshire Senior Center	1,000
Dorset Fire District	3,000
East Dorset Fire District	3,000
Dorset Nursing Association, Inc.	1,000
Manchester Rescue Squad	3,000
Dorset Library	1,000
Southwest Vermont Agency on Aging	400
United Counseling Service	500
Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council	500
	<u>29,075</u>

Expenditures:

Town of Dorset - highway supplies	20,000
Town of Dorset - office supplies	925
	<u>20,925</u>
	<u>\$50,000</u>

TOWN OF DORSET

SCHEDULE OF GENERAL FUND CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Year Ended December 31, 1983

General Fund cash balance, beginning of year		\$6,161	
Receipts:			
Revenues	\$1,117,714		
Transfers	44,208		
Tax anticipation notes - proceeds	250,000		
Increase in accrued payroll taxes and retirement expense	401		
Decrease in repurchase agreements	44,669		
Decrease in interfund balances	<u>2,099</u>	<u>1,459,091</u>	
			1,465,252
Disbursements:			
Expenditures	1,150,140		
Tax anticipation notes - payment	250,000		
Decrease in advance tax payments	12,982		
Increase in prepaid expenses	1,779		
Decrease in accounts payable	1,130		
Increase in property taxes receivable	<u>3,566</u>	<u>1,419,597</u>	
General Fund cash balance, end of year			<u>\$45,655</u>

TOWN OF DORSET

SCHEDULE OF TAXES RAISED

Year Ended December 31, 1983

Taxes assessed and billed:

Real estate and personal property:

Taxes due May 10, 1983

1982 grand list \$517,924 @ \$.89

\$460,952

Taxes due October 7, 1983

1983 grand list \$528,570 @ \$1.11

586,713

Net decrease due to errors and omissions

(7,818)

Total property taxes billed

\$1,039,847

Taxes accounted for:

Collections:

Property

\$935,442

Delinquent taxes to collector:

Property

104,405

Total taxes accounted for

\$1,039,847

TOWN OF DORSET

SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT TAXES

December 31, 1983

<u>Tax Years</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31, 1982</u>	<u>To Collector</u>	<u>Collections</u>	<u>Abatements and Corrections</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31, 1983</u>
<u>Property taxes:</u>					
1975	\$1		\$1		-
1976	229		213		\$16
1977	252		226		26
1978	344		293	\$24	27
1979	632		124	39	469
1980	1,491		828	43	620
1981	5,164		2,682	356	2,126
1982	12,654		7,939	289	4,426
1983		<u>\$104,405</u>	<u>86,490</u>	<u>1,293</u>	<u>16,622</u>
	<u>\$20,767</u>	<u>\$104,405</u>	<u>\$98,796</u>	<u>\$2,044</u>	<u>\$24,332</u>

TOWN OF DORSET

RECONCILIATION OF TAX COLLECTIONS TO TAX REVENUE

Year Ended December 31, 1983

	<u>Property</u>
Current year tax collections:	
Town Manager	\$935,442
Delinquent tax collector	<u>98,796</u>
Total taxes received	<u>1,034,238</u>
Increase (decrease) in delinquent taxes:	
Receivable:	
Balance - December 31, 1983	24,332
Balance - December 31, 1982	<u>20,767</u>
	3,565
Corrections and abatements	<u>2,044</u>
	<u>5,609</u>
Current year tax revenues	<u>\$1,039,847</u>

THE FACTORY POINT NATIONAL BANK
OF MANCHESTER CENTER, VT.

Town of Dorset
Board of Auditors
Dorset, Vermont 05251

Gentlemen:

The Dorset School District borrowed from the Factory Point National Bank during 1983 as follows:

Balance 1/1/83			.00
4/1/83	470,000.00		
6/30/83 payment		470,000.00	
91/5/83	330,000.00		
Balance 12/31/83			330,000.00

Statements have been rendered on all checking accounts.

There are savings accounts as follows with balances shown as of December 31, 1983:

#1002683	Town of Dorset	384.71
1045462	Town of Dorset	1,219.53
2004486	Town of Dorset	1,275.04
2006756	Town of Dorset	96.42

There are certificates of deposit as follows with balances shown as of December 31, 1983:

#1844537	Town of Dorset	20,000.00
1870352	Town of Dorset	1,500.00

If you note any discrepancies or omissions, please contact me.

Sincerely,
Pamela Halbur, Assistant Cashier

THE MERCHANTS BANK
MANCHESTER CENTER, VT.

TOWN OF DORSET

Loan Balance January 1, 1983			.00
May 27 Loan	\$250,000.00		
November 22 Payment		\$250,000.00	
Balance due December 31, 1983			.00

Investment (Savings) Accounts

21-00949-3 Town of Dorset	\$25,132.16
21-00953-5 Town of Dorset	41,295.93
21-00950-1 Town of Dorset	.00
21-00951-9 Town of Dorset	.00
21-00952-7 Town of Dorset	.00

Certificate of Deposit

01-5321-3 Town of Dorset	\$284,296.82
(Combined Investment Fund)	

DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

Loan Balance January 1, 1983		\$470,000.00
April 1 Payment	\$470,000.00	
Balance Due 12/31/83		.00

SCHOOL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Dorset School Board is pleased to report that our new principal, John M. Meagher, has adapted well to our school, staff, board and pupils. His enthusiasm is contagious and his new ideas are well-received.

The last year has not been without its problems, however, most of them are now behind us. Projects such as energy conservation and computer instruction were successfully initiated. New projects, aimed at improving education are in the works and the board has set up committees that include board members, staff, administration and parents to plan for the school's future. At this time, both federal and state government are demonstrating greater interest in education and we hope that some good will come of this before the election year ends.

Our proposed budget is up less than 7.5% from the previous year. The preponderance of the increase is directly related to educational matters — for instance, the acquisition of new computers and textbooks.

The Dorset School Board is optimistic about 1984-85 and hopes that its enthusiasm will be shared by all.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth R. Mc Grath, Chairman
John P. Stannard, Clerk
Peter T. Dee
Cheryl L. Dresnok
Geoffrey W. Norman

**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
TO THE TOWN OF DORSET
1983-1984**

This is my twelfth annual report to the citizens of Dorset.

The Dorset Elementary School is very fortunate in having as its new Principal, Mr. John Meagher, who previously was Superintendent of Schools in the Windsor Northwest Supervisory Union. Mr. Meagher has had many years of valuable experience and his professional services will definitely be an asset to the Dorset School District. In addition, Ms. Anne Brooks became the new part-time Art teacher for the Dorset School District this year.

Two more teachers from the Bennington-Rutland Supervisory Union were honored this year by the University of Vermont as Outstanding Teachers. They are Mrs. Jean Noble from the Manchester Elementary School and Miss Ann Dumas of the Sunderland Elementary School. In addition, Miss Rita Emerson, Principal of the Currier Memorial School, was selected as an Outstanding Principal by the Vermont Headmasters Association, at their annual meeting in the spring of 1983.

The Bennington-Rutland Supervisory Union has provided special education services for handicapped children. Chapter 1 of the Education Consolidation Improvement Act has continued to fund the reading program which assists those children who are having difficulty in the area of reading. Chapter 2 of the Education Consolidation Improvement Act has provided some funding for equipment and supplies as well as inservice training of staff, especially in the area of computer technology.

The computer program conducted at the school in the fall of 1983 was well received by members of the staff, students and members of the community. This program was arranged through Champlain College and was carried out over a two week period. Valuable training and experience was afforded through the program which will be used in the future.

The Board of School Directors have assigned themselves to various committees in order to become more knowledgeable regarding various areas of school operation and to permit more efficient operation of the Board. This action on the part of the Board is an indication of their continuing concern regarding the total educational program underway and their dedication to the education of all Dorset children.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward F. Houlihan
Superintendent of Schools

Enrollment:

Dorset Elementary School	Burr & Burton Seminary	Other Public & Private Schools - 19
Grade K - 20	Grade 9 - 30	Manchester Area Program - 3
Grade 1 - 18	Grade 10 - 24	Essential Early Education - 2
Grade 2 - 12	Grade 11 - 22	
Grade 3 - 19	Grade 12 - <u>25</u>	
Grade 4 - 12	Total 101	
Grade 5 - 19		
Grade 6 - 23		
Grade 7 - 19		
Grade 8 - <u>15</u>		
Total . . . 157		

Error

**REPORT OF BURR AND BURTON SIMINARY
PREPARED FOR THE TOWN OF DORSET
JANUARY, 1984**

I welcome this opportunity to report to the residents of Dorset for the sixth consecutive year.

New faculty members were welcomed to the Burr and Burton school community this Fall, including Rose Marie Carruth of Burlington as German teacher, Mary Harkins of Wesleyan University as Chemistry teacher, John Ezell of Rupert as English teacher, Libby Johnson of Castleton as Resource teacher, Chris Morse of Middletown Springs as Business teacher, and Richard Brandt of Vassar College as Computer Science teacher.

Enrollment from Dorset and the surrounding communities continues to be relatively stable at just over 400 students. Burr and Burton has been receiving more students from outside the area, which serves to offset the slight enrollment decline of the local eighth grades. Enrollment from Dorset as of January 1, 1984 was:

Grade 9	30	Grade 11	22
Grade 10	25	Grade 12	25
		Total	91 - 102??

The Dorset school directors authorized public tuition payments to Burr and Burton totaling \$244,210.55 for the 1982-83 school year. The Seminary Trustees continue to use no public tuition income for debt retirement or capital construction purposes. Financial support for those purposes and others is raised privately, utilizing our Alumni/Development office, along with the Seminary's corporate non-profit status.

The accomplishments of our students continue to be the highlight of our pride. During the 1982-83 school year, two of our seniors were recognized as National Merit Scholarship Finalists and several were admitted to some of the most competitive colleges and universities in the country. The SAT scores of our seniors also continued to climb to a current average which is substantially above that of the state and/or the nation. Our Curriculum Committee initiated a new arrangement with the Rutland Area Vocational Center which affords access to that facility for several of our seniors who, thereby, attend that facility for one half of their instructional day. We expect that opportunity to continue into the future. Our students also had another banner year athletically. Both our girls' and boys' basketball teams won the State Championship, as did our girls' track team and the Fall our girls' field hockey team also won the State Championship. While winning is important, we at this school tend to measure success more in terms of participation and sportsmanship, than in terms of scores. Our participation by students in inter-scholastic sports has increased steadily over the last few years and our school received the League Sportsmanship Award last year for the second year in a row.

The Trustees Development Committee launched its first annual fund drive last winter and is about to launch its second as I write this report. The result of that appeal enabled us to acquire twelve new high-quality microscopes for use in our Biology and Chemistry labs, among other things. The intention of this year's Annual Drive is to improve our Art Program and our Computer Science program.

The Trustees and staff of Burr and Burton Seminary remain anxious to receive ideas and to answer questions from members of the Dorset community.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert G. Kennedy, Headmaster

RICHARD J. ENGEL, P.C.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
P.O. BOX 1349
MANCHESTER CENTER, VERMONT 05255
802-362-1946

Board of School Directors
Town of Dorset School District
Dorset, Vermont 05251

I have examined the financial statements (Exhibits A through D) of the Town of Dorset School District for the year ended June 30, 1983. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

The District has not maintained a record of its general fixed assets, and accordingly a statement of general fixed assets, required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in the financial statements.

In my opinion, except for the omission of the general fixed assets, the accompanying financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Town of Dorset School District at June 30, 1983, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Richard J. Engel

September 16, 1983

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

ALL FUNDS

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 1983

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Boiler Replacement Fund</u>	<u>Bus Replacement Fund</u>	<u>Revenue Sharing Fund</u>	<u>Asbestos Removal Fund</u>
ASSETS					
Cash-Checking	\$169,735				
Receivable from General Fund (Note 3)	(117,091)	26,292	64,266	-0-	26,533
Estimated 20% Reimbursement due from State on indebtedness	1,038				
Receivable - Misc.	86				
	<u>\$ 53,768</u>	<u>\$ 26,292</u>	<u>\$ 64,266</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 26,533</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
Payroll Tax With- holding and Related Accruals	\$ 4,137				
Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses (Note 1)	27,035				
Fund Equity	<u>22,596</u>	<u>26,292</u>	<u>64,266</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>26,533</u>
	<u>\$ 53,768</u>	<u>\$ 26,292</u>	<u>\$ 64,266</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 26,533</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral
part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

ALL FUNDS

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND EQUITY

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1983

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Boiler Replacement Fund</u>	<u>Bus Replacement Fund</u>	<u>Revenue Sharing Fund</u>	<u>Asbestos Removal Fund</u>
Fund Equity 6/30/82	\$ 38,884	\$ 23,879	\$ 58,361	\$ 6,104	\$ 42,409
Add:					
Revenues					
(Exhibit C)	727,806				
Interest Income		2,413	5,905	207	2,337
State Funds Received					8,936
Deduct:					
Expenses					
(Exhibit D)	(744,094)				
Asbestos Removal					
Expenditures					(27,149)
Energy Conservation					
Expenditures				(6,311)	
Fund Equity 6/30/83	\$ 22,596	\$ 26,292	\$ 64,266	\$ -0-	\$ 26,533

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part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES - ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1983

	Estimated Revenue	Actual Revenue	Actual Over (Under) Budget
Tuition	\$ 4,600	\$ 3,113	\$ (1,487)
State Assumption of Debt			
Service	1,039	1,039	-0-
State Aid	13,642	27,280	13,638
Interest on Temporary Deposits			
Net of Interest Expense	15,000	2,843	(12,157)
Tax Receipts	681,507	689,933	8,426
Sale of Equipment	-0-	2,000	2,000
Payroll Tax Refund	-0-	867	867
Miscellaneous	100	731	631
TOTALS	\$715,888	\$727,806	\$ 11,918

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part of these financial statements

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

GENERAL FUND

EXPENDITURES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1983

State 2900 B+B
2700

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Actual (Over) Under <u>Budget</u>
1000 INSTRUCTION			
1120 Elementary Program			
110 Salaries - Teachers	\$188,641	\$190,013	\$ (1,372)
120 Substitutes	2,000	3,815	(1,815)
210 Group Medical Insurance	12,873	16,962	(4,089)
211 Disability Insurance	1,294	1,091	203
220 Social Security	12,880	12,537	343
240 Employee's Retirement - 4.2%	216	278	(62)
250 Workmen's Compensation Ins.	327	272	55
260 Unemployment Insurance	1,412	1,285	127
270 Tuition Reimbursement	1,600	1,475	125
515 Travel-Conference Attendance	300	342	(42)
610 Teaching Supplies	7,000	7,500	(500)
630 Textbooks	2,000	1,475	525
690 Other Teaching Supplies and Materials	300	142	158
740 Equipment for Instruction	<u>1,000</u>	<u>588</u>	<u>412</u>
TOTAL ELEMENTARY PROGRAM	\$231,843	\$237,775	\$ (5,932)
1130 Secondary Program			
561 Tuition-Public Schools-VT	2,300	-0-	2,300
564 Tuition-Public/Private Schools-Not VT	37,215	2,500	34,715
565 Tuition-State Agencies and Private	<u>230,180</u>	<u>294,469</u>	<u>(64,289)</u>
TOTAL SECONDARY PROGRAM	\$269,695	\$296,969	\$ (27,274)
1200 Special Education			
220 Social Security	-0-	170	(170)
513 Transportation	2,200	1,252	948
565 Tuition	<u>9,000</u>	<u>12,739</u>	<u>(3,739)</u>
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$ 11,200	\$ 14,161	\$ (2,961)
1400 Other Instructional Services			
110 Extra Curricular	1,600	1,556	44
220 Social Security	-0-	20	(20)
390 Field Trips and Student Activities	<u>1,515</u>	<u>951</u>	<u>564</u>
TOTAL OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	\$ 3,115	\$ 2,527	\$ 588

Health 3370 x 1983
2070 1984

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual (Over) Under Budget</u>
2000 SUPPORTING SERVICES			
2130 Health			
390 Contracted Services	\$ 3,280	\$ 3,647	\$ (367)
TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES	\$ 3,280	\$ 3,647	\$ (367)
2220 Educational Media Services			
610 Library Supplies and Materials	300	-0-	300
630 Library Books	2,000	1,902	98
640 Periodicals & Newspapers	400	295	105
650 Audio Visual Materials	1,500	1,748	(248)
690 Other Library Expense	300	320	(20)
740 Equipment	600	753	(153)
TOTAL EDUC. MEDIA SERVICES	\$ 5,100	\$ 5,018	\$ 82
2310 General Admin. - Board			
110 Salaries	1,250	1,250	-0-
220 Social Security	84	84	-0-
390 Other Services	2,000	1,987	13
521 Property Insurance Premiums	2,814	2,765	49
522 Liability Insurance Premiums	596	-0-	596
523 Fidelity Bond Premium	443	185	258
540 Advertising	400	320	80
610 Supplies	700	955	(255)
810 Dues and Membership	300	328	(28)
TOTAL GENERAL ADMIN. - BOARD	\$ 8,587	\$ 7,874	\$ 713
2313 General Admin. - Treasurer			
110 Salary	450	465	(15)
220 Social Security	30	31	(1)
610 Supplies	100	83	17
TOTAL GENERAL ADMIN. - TREAS.	\$ 580	\$ 579	\$ 1
2317 General Admin. - Audit Service			
300 Purchased Prof. Service	2,500	2,500	-0-
TOTAL GENERAL ADMIN.-AUDIT SERVICE	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ -0-
2321 General Admin. - Office of the Superintendent			
351 Supervisory Assessment	23,315	23,333	(18)
TOTAL GENERAL ADMIN. - OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDANT	\$ 23,315	\$ 23,333	\$ (18)

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual (Over) Under Budget</u>
2410 School Administration			
110 Salaries	\$ 31,050	\$ 35,075	\$ (4,025)
210 Group Medical Insurance	1,373	1,938	(565)
211 Group Disability Insurance	211	220	(9)
220 Social Security	2,080	2,278	(198)
240 Employee Retirement - 4.2%	309	388	(79)
250 Workmen's Compensation	53	44	9
260 Unemployment Compensation Insurance	192	172	20
515 Travel and Conference	650	200	450
530 Telephone	1,500	1,935	(435)
610 Office Supplies	200	293	(93)
690 Other Supplies & Materials	400	258	142
810 Dues and Memberships	230	245	(15)
TOTAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 38,248	\$ 43,046	\$ (4,798)
2452 Care and Upkeep of Building			
110 Salaries	19,057	23,329	(4,272)
210 Group Medical Insurance	867	2,070	(1,203)
211 Disability	130	230	(100)
220 Social Security	1,277	1,538	(261)
240 Employee Retirement	762	365	397
250 Workmen's Compensation	331	276	55
260 Unemployment Compensation	152	137	15
420 Rubbish Removal	672	806	(134)
440 Repairs & Maintenance	4,500	786	3,714
610 Custodial Supplies	3,850	3,505	345
622 Energy Service - Electricity	6,000	7,887	(1,887)
624 Energy Service - Oil	15,000	6,674	8,326
690 Other Supplies & Materials	500	303	197
740 Replacement of Equipment	400	-0-	400
TOTAL CARE AND UPKEEP OF BUILDING	\$ 53,498	\$ 47,906	\$ 5,592
2543 Care and Upkeep of Grounds			
440 Contract Services	250	263	(13)
610 Supplies for Equipment	1,000	132	868
TOTAL CARE AND UPKEEP OF GROUNDS	\$ 1,250	\$ 395	\$ 855
2544 Care and Upkeep of Equipment			
440 Contract Services	1,500	2,354	(854)
610 Supplies for Equipment	200	8	192
TOTAL CARE AND UPKEEP OF EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,700	\$ 2,362	\$ (662)

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual (Over) Under Budget</u>
2552 Vehicle Operation Service			
110 Salaries	\$ 20,260	\$ 22,511	\$ (2,251)
210 Group Medical Insurance	289	775	(486)
211 Disability Insurance	34	-0-	34
220 Social Security	1,358	1,509	(151)
240 Employee Retirement	423	428	(5)
250 Workmen's Compensation	582	480	102
260 Unemployment Insurance	209	189	20
313 Contracted Services	1,500	652	848
524 Bus Insurance	<u>2,829</u>	<u>2,932</u>	<u>(103)</u>
TOTAL VEHICLE OPERATION SERVICE	\$ 27,484	\$ 29,476	\$ (1,992)
2554 Vehicle Servicing and Maintenance Service			
440 Maintenance by Garage	6,000	5,892	108
610 Gasoline	11,500	8,376	3,124
611 Tires and Tubes	1,500	1,650	(150)
690 Other Expenses and Supplies	<u>300</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>155</u>
TOTAL VEHICLE SERVICES	\$ 19,300	\$ 16,063	\$ 3,237
2561 School Lunch Program			
570 Food Services	<u>10,000</u>	<u>5,271</u>	<u>4,729</u>
TOTAL FOOD SERVICES	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,271	\$ 4,729
3000 FACILITY SERVICES			
4600 Building Improvement			
490 Contracted Services	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
TOTAL FACILITY SERVICES	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
5000 DEBT SERVICES			
5100 Bonds			
830 Payments on Principal	5,000	5,000	-0-
930 Interest	192	192	-0-
5500 Sinking Fund			
840 Bus Replacement	-0-	-0-	-0-
841 Boiler Replacement	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$ 5,192	\$ 5,192	\$ -0-
TOTALS	<u>\$715,887</u>	<u>\$744,094</u>	<u>\$ (28,207)</u>

(Exhibit B)

The accompanying notes are an integral
part of these financial statements

TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 1983

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting. The accounts of the Town of Dorset School District are presented on a modified accrual basis. Under a modified accrual basis, revenues are recorded as received in cash except for (a) revenues susceptible to accrual and (b) revenues of a material amount that have not been received at the normal time of receipt. Expenditures are recorded on an accrual basis, except for

- (a) disbursements for inventory type items which are considered expenditures at the time of purchase;
- (b) vacation and sick leave which is not recorded at the time the benefits are accumulated.

Expense Reimbursements. Funds received which are reimbursements for expenses incurred are offset against the related expenses.

General Fixed Assets. The District does not capitalize expenditures for general fixed assets; therefore, no presentation has been made in the financial statements.

(2) PENSION PLAN

Certain employees participate and contribute to the Vermont Municipal Employees Retirement System. The District funds its portion of the retirement contribution from the General Fund. The cost of the contribution for the year ended June 30, 1983 was \$1,030.

(3) CONSOLIDATION OF INVESTMENTS

The investments of the Boiler Replacement Fund, the Bus Replacement Fund, the Revenue Sharing Fund and the Asbestos Removal Fund have been consolidated into a combined investment during the year. The amount owing to the respective funds is offset against the assets of the General Fund.

MOUNT LAUREL SCHOOL, INC.
ANNUAL REPORT - 1983

At the end of its fiscal year, Mount Laurel has approved and made the following new grants to area institutions concerned with the education, training, and other assistance for handicapped individuals, in line with Mount Laurel's original purposes and plans included in its Charter when operating previously as a School for Special Children.

Each of these institutions has been given careful consideration by the Mount Laurel Executive Committee regarding their present and future programs and plans, which also warrant the support of the public at large:

- Ethan Allen Community College, Manchester, VT
Vocational and Technical Education - \$5,000
- Vermont Achievement Center for the Handicapped,
Rutland, VT - \$1,000
- Bennington County "Special Olympics for Handicapped Children,"
Bennington, VT - \$1,000
- Winston Prouty Center for Handicapped Children,
Brattleboro, VT - \$1,000

The Mount Laurel organization continues to maintain the ownership and control of the use of the school's facilities, now leased to Ethan Allen Community College, and the land and other resources which have been developed since its incorporation in 1959.

It operates through an Executive Committee composed of the following:

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|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| President | - Dr. Abraham Madkour, Manchester |
| 1st Vice-President | - George P. Ludlam, East Dorset |
| 2nd Vice-President | - Emily K. Johnson, Danby |
| Treasurer | - Townes M. Harris, Jr., Arlington |
| Secretary | - Harold R. Bixler, East Rupert |

Respectfully submitted,
Harold R Bixler, Secretary

DORSET FIRE DISTRICT #1

Dorset Fire Department Expense - 1983

Insurance	\$ 3,471
Heating	1,689
Electricity	572
Telephone	221
Equipment	2,111
Repair & Maintenance	1,646
Supplies	1,377
Miscellaneous	606
	<u>\$11,921</u>

During the year Revenue Sharing Funds were used in part to purchase Tanks and Regulating Equipment so that Air-Pacs, used in smokey fires, can be quickly re-filled when depleted. This equipment has been made available to East Dorset, Rupert, Manchester, Arlington and Pawlet Fire Departments.

At the year end, High Expansion Foam equipment has been ordered and will be used on certain types of construction fires.

Dorset Fire Department extends thanks to the Town of Dorset for its support.

Harriet Parsons - Treasurer

EAST DORSET FIRE DISTRICT #1 PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT January 1984

The members of the East Dorset Prudential Committee are happy to report that the East Dorset water system has served the community well in its first full year of operation. The system has supplied it's users with a consistant quantity of quality water. Periodic maintenance is performed at the reservoir by Byron Bowen insuring continuous supply and quality. Members of the Fire Dept. and the community have contributed their time to the maintenance and clearing of all fire hydrants on a year round basis.

Funding continues for the training and education of members of the all volunteer Fire Department, providing the community with qualified fire fighters. Fire Department members are trained in the current techniques of fire prevention and suppression.

Robert Dressler

Robert Valeo

Vincent Bertschi

EAST DORSET FIRE DEPARTMENT

The \$1,000. appropriation received from the Town was used on the final payment on our Fire Truck.

The Revenue Sharing money was used for 4 Minators and Accessories, 1-4 inch Clappered Siamese and 300 feet of 4 inch hose.

We would like to thank the Town for this assistance.

Waltr B. Read, Jr., Chief

**DORSET POLICE DEPARTMENT
FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Dorset Police Department operates on a non-budgetary basis. All income is derived from fines collected thru the uniform Traffic Ticket System funneled thru District Court. These funds are deposited with the Factory Point National Bank (Account #104546-2) and then reinvested in other avenues (C.D's. and M.M. Ckg.) to gain the maximum interest. The expenses of the department are paid from these accounts at the end of the ensuing year. Therefore the following certified figures are hereby submitted:

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1983	\$4858.42
Fines collected in 1983	2383.00
Interest earned in 1983	<u>503.33</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$7744.75
Funds expended in 1983	<u>1559.30</u>
BALANCE ON HAND, Dec. 31, 1983	\$6185.45

Respectfully submitted,
Vernon C. Squiers, Town Manager

TOWN OF DORSET PROPOSED BUDGET - 1984

The 1984 Budget Meeting will be held on Monday, February 13 at the Dorset Elementary School at 7:30 P.M. The Selectmen are pleased to advise that the audited General Fund Balance as of December 31, 1983 reveals a \$13,313 surplus.

Please be advised that all "approved" monetary articles will be added to the net budgetary figure.

ESTIMATED INCOME	EST. '83	REC'D. '83	EST. '84
State Aid Highways	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 44,059.52	\$ 40,000.00
Liquor Licenses	800.00	800.00	800.00
Dog Licenses	1,000.00	1,408.00	1,000.00
Forest Monies	500.00	- 13.89	500.00
Zoning Income	150.00	44.00	150.00
School District	<u>1,800.00</u>	<u>2,160.52</u>	<u>1,800.00</u>
	\$ 40,250.00	\$ 48,458.15	\$ 44,250.00
General Fund Balance, Dec. 31, 1983	<u>1,532.00</u>		<u>13,313.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 41,782.00	\$ 48,458.15	\$ 57,563.00
Total Budget	\$267,105.00		\$278,782.00
		minus	
Estimated Income	40,250.00		44,250.00
Surplus	<u>1,532.00</u>		<u>13,313.00</u>
TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXES	\$225,323.00		\$221,219.00
ADMINISTRATIVE	EST. '83	EXP'D. '83	EST. '84
Town Manager Salary	\$ 22,837.00	\$ 23,715.32	\$ 24,093.00
Town Manager Car Allowance	3,745.00	3,745.00	3,886.00
Selectmen's Salaries	1,250.00	1,250.00	2,750.00
Town Clerk Salary	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Town Clerk Fees	0.00	8,772.50	0.00
Town Clerk Office Expense	2,000.00	2,185.18	2,470.00
Assistant Town Clerk Salary	700.00	324.00	700.00
Assistant Town Clerk Fees	0.00	292.50	0.00
Delinquent Tax Collector Fees	0.00	4,913.93	0.00
Town Treasurer Salary	450.00	450.00	450.00
Town Auditors Salaries	450.00	42.84	450.00
Town Managers Clerk Salary	4,600.00	4,370.18	4,600.00
Outside Auditor	2,750.00	2,750.00	2,850.00
Constable Salary	3,500.00	1,336.25	3,500.00
Listers Salaries	10,000.00	9,617.25	9,000.00
Town Office Maintenance	750.00	821.97	1,000.00
Listers Expense	4,000.00	2,346.46	4,000.00
Utilities	3,800.00	4,293.93	4,400.00
Town Office Expense, Treas. & Tax Coll.	1,375.00	1,275.59	1,400.00
Town Report, Printing & Postage	1,725.00	1,890.73	2,000.00
Legal Expense & Other Professional Serv.	4,000.00	10,343.35	4,000.00
Town Meeting and Election Expense	1,200.00	734.70	1,250.00
Board of Civil Authority	1,400.00	550.50	1,500.00
Payroll Tax Expense	8,050.00	7,576.33	8,000.00
County Tax and Assessments	6,200.00	5,755.20	6,200.00
Extension Service	1,985.00	1,985.00	1,985.00
Computer	1,800.00	1,347.00	2,000.00
Planning Commission & Zoning Expense	<u>2,450.00</u>	<u>2,298.09</u>	<u>3,000.00</u>
	\$ 93,017.00	\$106,983.80	\$ 97,484.00

APPROPRIATIONS

East Dorset Fire District	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Dorset Fire District	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Dorset Village Public Library	250.00	250.00	250.00
Observance of Memorial Day and Flags	300.00	300.00	300.00
Animal Shelter	550.00	550.00	550.00
Regional Planning Commission	<u>850.00</u>	<u>850.00</u>	<u>873.00</u>
Sub-totals	\$ 97,367.00	\$111,333.80	\$101,857.00

GENERAL SERVICES

Insurance and Bonds	12,500.00	12,921.36	12,000.00
Unemployment Insurance	none	none	none
Health Insurance	7,000.00	8,364.30	9,950.00
Vt. Mun. Employees Retirement System	2,900.00	3,302.54	3,450.00
Interest Expense	2,000.00	7,356.16	2,000.00
Town Shed	850.00	94.33	850.00
Highway (Class II and III)	96,350.00	93,472.99	98,850.00
Labor	(52,00.00)	(52,596.48)	(53,000.00)
Blacktop Resurface	(20,000.00)	(24,352.64)	(20,000.00)
Cold Patch	(450.00)	(123.68)	(400.00)
Gravel	(800.00)	(650.80)	(800.00)
Salt	(8,000.00)	(8,454.31)	(8,700.00)
Calcium Chloride	(none)	(none)	(none)
Signs and Posts	(none)	(81.91)	(none)
Culverts	(400.00)	(99.60)	(400.00)
Cutting Trees	(1,000.00)	(480.15)	(1,000.00)
Equipment Rental	(700.00)	(1,010.00)	(850.00)
Winter Sand	(11,500.00)	(12,388.36)	(12,500.00)
Bridge Material	(1,000.00)	(111.85)	(1,000.00)
#2 Stone for Mud Season	(500.00)	(none)	(none)
Bridge #23	(none)	(13,000.00)	(none)
Miscellaneous	<u>(none)</u>	<u>(123.21)</u>	<u>(200.00)</u>
	(96,350.00)	(113,472.99)	(98,850.00)

Less Credit - Revenue Sharing

20,000.00

(93,472.99)

Equipment Maintenance	26,575.00	18,146.07	27,875.00
Gasoline, Kerosene, & Lubes	(17,000.00)	(12,416.56)	(17,000.00)
Truck Repair Parts	(2,500.00)	(1,316.72)	(2,000.00)
Grader Repair Parts	(1,000.00)	(832.65)	(1,500.00)
Loader Repair Parts	(1,000.00)	(438.19)	(1,000.00)
Sander Repair Parts	(600.00)	(163.66)	(600.00)
Screen Repair Parts	(200.00)	(none)	(200.00)
Chain Saw Repairs	(100.00)	(192.43)	(150.00)
Radio Repair Parts	(300.00)	(3.06)	(300.00)
Gas for Cutting & Welding	(150.00)	(136.68)	(150.00)
Nuts, Bolts, & Misc. Equip.	(800.00)	(1,270.99)	(1,000.00)
Plow Blades, Parts, & Shoes	(1,200.00)	(36.36)	(1,200.00)
Rags	(125.00)	(122.33)	(125.00)
Tires and Tubes	(1,200.00)	(1,216.44)	(1,200.00)
Barrel of Chains	(none)	(none)	(800.00)
Fire Extinguishers, New & Recharge	(50.00)	(none)	(50.00)
Broom Repair Parts	(250.00)	(none)	(500.00)
Tools	<u>(100.00)</u>	<u>(none)</u>	<u>(100.00)</u>
	(26,575.00)	(18,146.07)	(27,875.00)

Equipment Purchases	600.00	none	600.00
Dog Damage	600.00	10.00	600.00
Dorset Fire Permits	75.00	60.75	75.00
Equipment Replacement Fund	none	none	none
Contingent Fund	700.00	833.00	1,000.00
Fourth of July Celebration	500.00	500.00	500.00
Employees Christmas	125.00	125.00	125.00
Vermont League of Cities & Towns	475.00	461.00	500.00
Landfill	11,050.00	9,737.52	11,050.00
Dispatch System	<u>7,500.00</u>	<u>7,500.00</u>	<u>7,500.00</u>
Sub-totals	<u>\$169,800.00</u>	<u>\$162,885.02</u>	<u>\$176,925.00</u>
GRAND TOTALS	<u>\$267,167.00</u>	<u>\$274,218.82</u>	<u>\$278,782.00</u>

The 1983 tax rate was \$.44 per \$100. valuation. The 1984 projected tax rate based on the present grand list is \$.41 per \$100. valuation.

The Town of Dorset is an equal opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis of handicapped status in either their employment practices or the services they provide. The Town Office renovation will meet legal criteria for handicapped accessibility.

The public is also notified that all warned articles for 1984 Town Meeting may be discussed at this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
William Mahlmann
Charles Stewart
Robert Wells Brown
Robert Thum
William Calfee
Selectmen Town of Dorset

DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT - BUDGET PROPOSAL

July 1, 1984 - June 30, 1985

	Budget 1983-1984	Proposed Budget 1984-1985
1000 INSTRUCTION		
1120 Elementary Program		
110 Salaries - Teachers	312 \$ 192,455.00	670 \$214,817.00
120 Substitutes	3,300.00	4,000.00
210 Group Medical Insurance	17,843.69	23,043.63
220 Social Security	13,222.79	15,603.62
240 Employee Retirement - 4.2%	207.27	226.00
250 Workmen's Compensation Insurance	296.03	399.27
260 Unemployment Insurance	1,424.83	2,353.60
270 Tuition Reimbursement	1,000.0	1,320.00
290 Disability Insurance	1,278.77	1,344.29
515 Travel - Conference Attendance	300.00	677.00
610 Teaching Supplies	7,500.00	7,925.00
640 Textbooks	2,000.00	5,207.00
690 Other Teaching Supplies & Materials	200.00	200.00
730 Equipment for Instruction	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>2,635.00</u>
TOTAL ELEMENTARY PROGRAM	\$ 242,028.38	\$ 279,751.41
1130 Secondary Program		
564 Tuition - Public/Private Schools - Not VT	43,262.72	40,600.00
565 Tuition - State Agencies & Private Schools	<u>294,525.00</u>	<u>292,656.00</u>
TOTAL SECONDARY Program	\$ 337,787.72	\$ 333,256.00
1200 Special Education		
510 Transportation	3,000.00	600.00
565 Tuition	<u>14,484.84</u>	<u>19,049.00</u>
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$ 17,484.84	\$ 19,649.00
1400 Other Instructional Services		
110 Extra Curricular	1,600.00	3,000.00
390 Field Trips & Student Activities	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>3,862.00</u>
TOTAL OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	\$ 3,100.00	\$ 6,862.00
2000 SUPPORTING SERVICES		
2130 Health		
390 Contracted Services	4,000.00	4,794.00 ??
610 Supplies	<u>-0-</u>	<u>75.00</u>
TOTAL HEALTH SERVICE	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,869.00
2220 Educational Media Services		
610 Library Supplies & Materials	300.00	352.00
640 Books & Periodicals	2,400.00	3,850.00
650 Audio Visual Materials	2,000.00	2,088.00
690 Other Library Expense	300.00	300.00
740 Equipment	<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>8,490.00</u>
TOTAL EDUCATIONAL MEDIA SERVICES	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 15,080.00

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	Budget 1983-1984	Proposed Budget 1984-1985
2310 General Administration - Board		
110 Salaries	1,250.00	1,250.00
220 Social Security	83.75	87.50
390 Other Services	2,000.000	2,000.00
521 Property Insurance Premium	2,671.00	2,700.00
522 Liability Insurance Premium	400.00	400.00
523 Fidelity Bond Premium	443.00	264.00
540 Advertising	300.00	300.00
610 Supplies	500.00	500.00
810 Dues and Memberships	450.00	450.00
TOTAL GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - Board	\$ 8,097.75	\$ 7,951.50
2313 General Administration-Treasurer		
110 Salary	450.00	450.00
220 Social Security	30.15	-0-
610 Supplies	150.00	100.00
TOTAL GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - Treasurer	\$ 630.15	\$ 550.00
2317 General Administration - Audit Service		
300 Purchased Professional Service	2,500.00	2,500.00
TOTAL GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - Audit Service	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
2321 General Administration - Office of Superintendent		
331 Supervisory Union Assessment	24,633.20	27,394.72
TOTAL GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - Office of Superintendent	\$ 24,633.20	\$ 27,394.72
2410 School Administration		
110 Salaries	36,300.00	39,529.00
210 Group Medical Insurance	1,991.85	3,686.64
220 Social Security	2,432.10	2,776.92
240 Employee Retirement - 4.2%	317.96	420.00
250 Workmen's Compensation Insurance	54.45	71.15
260 Unemployment Compensation Insurance	192.00	320.00
290 Group Disability Insurance	246.84	268.80
530 Telephone	1,600.00	2,000.00
580 Travel & Conference Expenses	750.00	750.00
610 Office Supplies	200.00	220.00
690 Other Supplies & Materials	200.00	220.00
810 Dues and Memberships	250.00	250.00
TOTAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 44,535.20	\$ 50,512.51
2542 Care & Upkeep of Building		
110 Salaries	19,650.50	23,172.00
210 Group Medical Insurance	2,130.39	2,775.00
220 Social Security	1,316.58	1,627.83
240 Employee Retirement - 4.2%	290.58	407.69

	Budget 1983-1984	Proposed Budget 1984-1985
250 Workmen's Compensation Insurance	316.37	461.12
260 Unemployment Compensation	200.58	330.72
290 Disability Insurance	129.72	153.93
420 Rubbish Removal	650.00	840.00
490 Repairs & Maintenance	4,500.00	4,500.00
610 Custodial Supplies	3,850.00	3,850.00
622 Energy Service - Electricity	6,500.00	7,900.00
624 Energy Service - oil	10,000.00	9,000.00
690 Other Supplies & Materials	500.00	950.00
740 Replacement of Equipment	600.00	971.00
TOTAL CARE & UPKEEP OF BUILDING	\$ 50,634.72	\$ 56,939.29
2543 Care & Upkeep of Grounds		
490 Contract Services	250.00	250.00
610 Supplies	800.00	900.00
TOTAL CARE & UPKEEP OF GROUNDS	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 1,150.00
2544 Care & Upkeep of Equipment		
490 Contract Service	2,000.00	2,000.00
610 Supplies for Equipment	200.00	300.00
TOTAL CARE & UPKEEP OF EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,300.00
2552 Vehicle Operation Service		
110 Salaries	20,908.00	22,132.80
210 Group Medical Insurance	832.75	931.88
220 Social Security	1,400.84	1,563.71
240 Employee Retirement	436.06	232.39
250 Workmen's Compensation	758.96	991.58
260 Unemployment Insurance	167.50	221.33
290 Disability Insurance	35.37	75.25
513 Contracted Services	1,500.00	700.00
524 Bus Insurance	3,577.00	3,160.00
TOTAL VEHICLE OPERATION SERVICE	\$ 29,616.48	\$ 30,008.94
2554 Vehicle Servicing & Maintenance Service		
430 Maintenance by garage	6,000.00	6,000.00
610 Maintenance by garage	10,000.00	10,000.00
611 Tire & Tubes	1,000.00	1,000.00
690 Other Expenses & Supplies	300.00	300.00
TOTAL VEHICLE SERVICE	\$ 17,300.00	\$ 17,300.00
2561 School Lunch Program		
570 Food Services	3,000.00	-0-
TOTAL FOOD SERVICES	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -0-
TOTAL BUDGET	\$797,098.44	\$856,074.37

**DORSET SCHOOL DIRECTORS BUDGET SUMMARY
FOR 1984-1985**

	Budget	Proposed
	1983-1984	Budget
		1984-1985
ESTIMATED EXPENSES		
Elementary Program	\$ 242,028.38	\$ 279,751.41
Secondary Program	337,787.72	333,256.00
Special Education	17,484.84	19,649.00
Instructional Services	3,100.00	6,862.00
Health Services	4,000.00	4,869.00
Media Services	8,500.00	15,080.00
General Administration - Board	8,097.75	7,951.50
General Administration - Treasurer	630.15	550.00
General Administration - Audit Services	2,500.00	2,500.00
General Administration - Superintendent	24,633.20	27,394.72
School Administration	44,535.20	50,512.51
Care & Upkeep of Building	50,634.72	56,939.29
Care & Upkeep of Grounds	1,050.00	1,150.00
Care & Upkeep of Equipment	2,200.00	2,300.00
Vehicle Operation Service	29,616.48	30,008.94
Vehicle Services	17,300.00	17,300.00
Food Services	3,000.00	-0-
Facilities Services	-0-	-0-
Debt Service	-0-	-0-
Total Estimated Expense	\$ 797,098.44	\$ 856,074.37
ESTIMATED INCOME		
State Assumption of Debt		\$ 1,00.00
Property Rent		100.00
State Aid		27,500.00
Temporary Deposits of Investments		<u>4,000.00</u>
		\$ 32,600.00

THE NORTHSHIRE SENIOR CENTER, INC.

THE NORTHSHIRE SENIOR CENTER, INC. would like to thank the people of Dorset for their most generous contribution for the year 1983. Our not for profit group is dependent on local contributions and we hope for your continued support.

THE NORTHSHIRE SENIOR CENTER, INC. was formed in 1972 as a non-profit organization whose purpose is "enriching the lives of the elderly by providing means for recreation, free time and adult educational activities, opportunities to renew old interests and hobbies, development of new relationships and new interests, and to focus attention on the needs and strengths of our local senior citizens.

1983 was a very tough year for the NORTHSHIRE SENIOR CENTER, INC. In June we moved from our location at the Meadows in Manchester. Presently we do not have a "home" of our own. One of our major goals for 1984 is a new center from which we can base all our activities.

1984 is one of the most important years in the history of the NORTHSHIRE SENIOR CENTER, INC. as we rebuild and solidify our programs for the elderly.

With federal and state programs for seniors continuing to suffer from the "budget ax" it becomes even more crucial for each of us to help and do what we can at the local level.

We look forward to your continued dedication and support.

The Board of Directors of the NORTHSHIRE SENIOR CENTER, INC. meets on a regular basis on the second Monday of the month and all our meetings are open to the public. For more information please call me at 867-4403.

Respectfully submitted,
NORTHSHIRE SENIOR CENTER, INC.
By Reita S. Litz, Pres.

TOWN OF DORSET NURSING ASSOCIATION, INC.

The Town of Dorset Nursing Association, Inc. (DNA) is committed to providing quality, appropriate health care without distinction of race, religion, political belief, economic or social condition according to the individual needs of the community.

During the past year, DNA provided the following home visiting and non-visiting services.

HOME VISITING PROGRAMS

A. Therapeutic Services	No. of Visits
1. Skilled Nursing Care of Sick	1,850
2. Maternal and Child Health by Nursing	25
3. Physical Therapy	245
4. Occupational Therapy	52
5. Home Health Aide-Homemaker	651
6. Speech and Language	27
Total	2,850

B. Assistive Home Visiting Programs

1. Homemaker (no doctor's orders needed)	540 visits
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C. Hospice Volunteer Program

The hospice volunteer program is physician ordered. The program mobilizes trained volunteers to assist the professional staff in caring for a terminally ill patient and his/her family at home.

Hospice volunteer hours

461 Total hrs.

DNA has an active volunteer group with 14 members and DNA Hospice volunteer serves on the Board of Hospice of Bennington Area.

FUNDING FOR THE VISITING PROGRAM

When an individual is not eligible for insurance benefits i.e., Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance or Veterans benefits, a sliding fee scale is available as a guide in delivering private payment for services. No person is denied services because of the inability to pay.

In the home visiting program last year, eighteen percent of visits were provided to clients unable to reimburse the agency.

NON VISITING PROGRAM

A. Dorset School Health Program

DNA contracts health services to Dorset school providing the following services.

1. Daily attendance by a certified school nurse for approximately two hours daily.
A nurse is available on call for the remainder of the school day.
2. Health Screening as required
 - a. Height and Weight 158
 - Hearing and Vision 158 (13 referred for treatment)
 - b. as recommended
 - Scoliosis 6,7, and 8th graders
3. Immunization protocols as required:
 - a. review of each child's status
 - b. updating of received immunizations
 - c. administration of immunizations with parental permission
 - d. completion of immunization statistical summary to be sent to Vermont Dept. of Education by Dec. 1.
4. Home visits are made as appropriate
5. School nurse is available as a consultant in areas of health education and referral to other human services or providers.

6. With parental permission a weekly fluoride rinse program cosponsored by the Vt. Dept. of Health is available, to all students.
7. Services offered to students with parental permission include: physical exam at 5th grade and administration of needed immunizations.
8. DNA supports a dental health program (including preventive and treatment services.) DNA covers costs not covered by "tooth fairy".

B. Equinox School

Health Services are provided to 12 students of this private elementary school. All 12 students are immunized.

C. Long Trail School

Health Services are provided on limited contractual basis. The school nurse reviews the immunization status of each student. All 30 students are fully immunized. Health screening and referral is done for height, weight, vision and hearing.

D. Well Child Clinics (WCC)

A monthly clinic is held at the United church of Dorset and East Rupert providing comprehensive health services to all newborns and children.

The clinics are co-sponsored by DNA and Vermont Dept. of Health. A supplement food program (WCC) holds a simultaneous clinic at the United Church of Dorset and East Rupert.

A community Health Nurse at the WCC provides nutritional assessment and guidance; (including height, weight, head circumference) and developmental assessment and guidance, with a focus on safety. Routine screening for anemia, hearing and vision are done at appropriate ages. Physical assessment by a pediatrician, Dr. Ktharine Hession is provided at regular intervals, referring ill children to their own physician for treatment

Prescriptions for fluoride and multiple vitamins will be made available as needed. Immunizations will be given as recommended by the Vermont Dept. of Health and the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Children with special needs are referred to appropriate agencies of providers.

Home visits are made as needed for continuity of care.

Well Child Conferences

Number of Clinics	12	Number of visits to clinic	235
Average clinic attendance	30	Number seen by M.D.	224

The Vermont Department of Health contributes 50% of doctor's fees. All other clinic costs are supported by DNA.

Due to decreased State funding DNA has implemented a suggested fee schedule. To be eligible for any state funding for payment for the pediatrician's services, DNA agrees to provide Well Child services to families in adjacent communities.

E. Blood Pressure Clinics

Regular blood pressure clinics are held monthly at 3 sites: DNA office, East Dorset town office and Rupert Community building. This service offers Blood Pressure screening, Nutritional guidance, weight control information, Health literature and referrals.

As of July 1, 1983, DNA was awarded a Hypertension Grant from Vt. Dept. of Health to serve 2 specific population groups:

1. The 30 - 60 year old working person
2. School age children

An integral component of the program will be educational efforts to increase public awareness of risk factors in hypertension.

We have initiated screening at the work sites, at meal sites and at a local bank.

Number of clinics	17
Average attendance	12
Number of individuals screened at clinics	160
Number screened at other sites	<u>53</u>
Total Screened	213

F. Office Visits 95

G. Influenza Program

Yearly flu clinics at no charge are made available through DNA and The Vermont Dept. of Health.

Number of clinics	3
Dorset and East Dorset	80
Rupert clinic attendance	21
Homebound patients	18
Immunized at DNA office	<u>11</u>
Total	130

H. The Loan of Equipment

The loan of equipment is available at no charge. Equipment includes wheel chairs, walkers, commodes, tub seats, canes and reclining chairs. Families are encouraged to lease large equipment (i.e. hospital beds) through a medical supplier, as appropriate.

I. CPR Program

1. Certified (New)	20 people
2. Recertified (Updated)	13 people

J. Volunteer Program

The health services available are made possible by the efforts of many people. The volunteer hours spent assisting the professional staff totaled 355 hours, excluding the hours spent driving for special appointments.

K. Foot Care Clinic

A monthly foot care clinic was started in October 1983 offering complete foot care by a registered nurse, visits by appointment.

The non-visiting programs are services available at a nominal or no fee basis. Local support makes these programs available to better meet the health needs of the community.

Thank you for your continued support. DNA encourages your participation in the programs that we offer. If you have any questions about our services call our agency office 867-5922.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Russo, R.N. - Director-Supervisor

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MANCHESTER RESCUE SQUAD, INC.

This year proved to be the busiest year for the Squad since it's inception in 1960. In 1983, the Squad responded to over 593 calls for emergency service in the Northshire area involving 21,220 miles and 2,507 man hours to complete. As of November 30, the call breakdown is as follows:

Manchester	392	Dorsets	95
Ruperts	5	Danby/Mt. Tabor	38
Peru	3	Other	28
Bromley	2		

During the past year, the Squad accepted six new members. They are Mr. & Mrs. Charles Wagner of Danby, Mrs. Susan Vetter of East Dorset, Miss Jennifer Richardson of Manchester Center, Mrs. Patricia Poulin of Mt. Tabor and Miss Nancy Lenhardt of South Dorset.

This fall, the Squad took delivery of a Life-Pak 5 cardiac monitor which is used in the assessment of cardiac victims. This device is used in conjunction with local physicians and the Putnam Memorial Hospital. Fifteen members of the Squad were certified by PMH in the Life-Pak's use and approximately ten more members will be certified by the beginning of 1984.

Additionally, the Squad again offered it's annual Advanced First Aid & C.P.R. course certifying over 25 local residents. This course involved over one thousand volunteer instructor hours by members of the Squad.

Finally, the Manchester Rescue Squad, Inc., is a completely voluntary organization which exists solely on contributions from the citizenry. We wish to thank those individuals and organizations who have so generously contributed to our support.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald Morell, President
Andrew R. Totten, Secretary

RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

During the last 12 month period the Northshire Retired Senior Volunteer Program has increased the number of volunteer hours it has supplied to its 22 non-profit volunteer stations in the towns of Manchester and Dorset by more than 1,500 hours over the total hours contributed in 1982. This increase alone would represent a savings of at least \$5,000 to the town if these volunteers were being paid the minimum wage.

It is important to realize that the work these older people are doing is not just work to fill otherwise idle hours. The RSVP volunteers perform useful and often essential services. They would not be done if it weren't for their efforts.

For example:

- A Dorset volunteer has been essential to the Dorset Town Clerk with his project of indexing old land records.
- Another volunteer assists the Dorset Town Clerk with filing and general office help.
- A Dorset volunteer continues to supervise a Medicare Information and Hotline office.
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- A Dorset volunteer assisted the Dorset Elementary School Librarian.

Most of the services the RSVP volunteers provide directly benefit the members of the Dorset community through assistance to such organizations as the Chamber of Commerce, the Northshire Nutrition program, the school systems, and Hildene. However, of increasing importance is the indirect service the RSVP volunteers provide the town through their work at the Putnam Memorial Hospital, the American Red Cross, the Vermont Association for the Blind, and many of the Nursing Homes in Bennington County.

RSVP is also always ready to help the community with once-a-year projects. This year RSVP volunteers assisted the Tax Aid program and the Vermont ETV Auction.

Dorothy Sullivan, Director
W. Averell Brown, Chairman
Advisory Council

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The mission of the Vermont Department of Health is the prevention of illness and the control or elimination of hazards dangerous to the health of the public. In working toward this goal, the Health Department has provided, or assured the provision of health services to communities across the state. Direct services are provided through 11 district field offices. During 1983, citizens of Dorset received the following services from the district office in Bennington:

50 pregnant women, new mothers, and children received supplemental foods, health and nutrition services through the WIC program.

6 children and young adults received medical evaluation of individual health and dental status through the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment program.

3 persons received assessment, information, and counselling through the Maternal and Child Health program and/or information and teaching of parenting roles through prenatal classes and home visiting services.

Diagnosis and treatment services for orthopedic, hearing, cardiac, genetic, developmental disorders, and other handicapping conditions were provided to 4 children through the Handicapped Children's program and/or the Child Development Clinic in Burlington.

The Public Health Laboratory in Burlington assists in the prevention and control of illness by identifying chemicals and microorganisms in a variety of substances. During 1983, the following laboratory services were provided to residents of Dorset:

12 blood tests to identify women needing immunization against German Measles (Rubella) to prevent birth defects,

30 other diagnostic blood tests,

74 tests of individual and municipal water systems to monitor drinking water quality.

The Dental Division provides services to local communities including installing and maintaining fluoridation equipment in selected community and school water systems, paying for dental treatment of eligible children, and providing dental health education in the schools.

Statewide, the Health Department provided the following services to Vermonters:

67,952 doses of vaccine were administered in Health Department clinics to prevent polio, measles, other childhood diseases, and influenza. 190,277 doses were supplied to private physicians.

16 hospitals and 46 nursing homes were inspected and licensed.

5,583 food or lodging inspections were conducted.

941 reports of communicable diseases were investigated.

390 gonorrhea cases were interviewed and 445 contracts were traced by Epidemiology field investigators.

125 x-ray machines in hospitals, doctors' and dentists' offices were inspected.

50 VOSHA regulatory inspections and 100 voluntary consultative inspections of Vermont industries were conducted

The Tooth Fairy program provided financial assistance for the dental care of 8,313 children; the Denticaid program provided assistance for 13, 397 children.

1,971 persons received screening for early detection of lung diseases through the Barre, Rutland and other Health Department chest clinics.

6,427 breath and blood alcohol samples were processed by the Laboratory. 13,743 bacteriological and viral cultures were tested.

The Emergency Medical Services program provided support and technical assistance to the state's 82 ambulance services, 39 first responder squads and 16 hospital emergency departments. 702 Emergency Medical Technicians were trained or recertified, and 783 certifications were issued in advanced life support skills.

The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner investigated 702 Vermont deaths, including 193 accidents, 14 homicides, and 88 suicides.

Many services are also provided at the local level by your Town Health Officer, Mrs. Susan Palmer. Please feel free to call her if you need any assistance. The Health Department provides technical assistance and support to local health officers.

We encourage your participation in our programs. Information about all Health Department services may be obtained by calling our toll-free number 1-800-642-3323, or the Bennington district office at 442-4591.

Roberta R. Coffin, M.D.
Commissioner of Health

**SOUTHWESTERN VERMONT AREA AGENCY ON AGING
AND NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR THE ELDERLY**

The Southwestern Vermont Area Agency of Aging wishes to submit the following report on services to the Auditors for consideration of use in the Annual Town Report.

The Southwestern Vermont Area Agency on Aging gratefully acknowledges the contribution of \$400.00 for the year 1983.

The Agency encourages the elderly residents of Dorset to attend the mealsite located in Manchester. This site is open five days a week and transportation is available on a regular basis. Transportation is also available to bring senior citizens of Dorset to Medical appointments and to go food shopping. During 1983 12 different residents of Dorset attended the mealsite and 17 other elderly members of the Community received assistance through the home delivered service program. Five days weekly packaged meals are delivered in Dorset. Some participants also receive a "bagged" light meal for the evening.

The Agency employs an Advocate who provides outreach service to individuals 60 or over. During 1983 this Advocate assisted 47 elderly residents of Dorset. This Advocate helped the seniors in such areas as public benefit programs, SSI, food stamps, fuel assistance, tax rebate programs, support and reassurance, housing needs and Medicaid to name a few.

The Agency also provided either directly or through contract the following services: a Long Term Care Ombudsman whose responsibilities are to assist persons with concerns involving Community Care or Nursing Homes and to provide information related to Long Term Care. Information and Referral which is telephone response to questions and concerns involving programs and services for the elderly in Dorset. A Legal Aid Attorney who is responsible in assisting the elderly in Dorset with legal matters. This Attorney works through the Vermont Legal Aid system.

This Agency is dependent on local support both financial and otherwise. We hope that the Town of Dorset views the meal program and other support services as worthwhile and beneficial to the elderly residents. The Agency projects a \$14,217 dollar budget for FY '84 (October 1st, 1983-September 31st 1984) to continue services in Dorset.

Rose Lapham
Bennington County Coordinator

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

During 1983 6 appeals were filed with the Zoning Board of Adjustments in accord with State Statutes and the Dorset By-Laws. Two of these appeals were subsequently withdrawn. The ZBA conducted four Public Hearings involving the remaining appeals. In three cases the relief sought was granted in full and in the fourth case relief sought was granted only in part.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Erdman, Chairman
Dorset Zoning Board of Adjustments

Members of the ZBA as of 12/31/83 were as follows: Charles Erdman, Chairman; Allie Hart, Vice-Chairman; George Warburton, Secretary; Robert Voorhis Jr., James Comar, Robert Valeo, Paul McCully, David Martin, Richard Schlieder.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission, responsible for the town plan and for the continuing evaluation and administration of the Zoning By-laws, met 15 times during the year. One meeting was a public hearing on proposed changes to the Zoning By-laws.

The Zoning Administrator, processed 62 permit applications including 17 single family residences, 4 two family residences, 3 mobile homes, 9 garages and 28 others -mainly additions and accessory buildings.

Major emphasis this past year focused on revision of the Zoning By-laws. As mandated in the By-laws, every five years a Review Committee is appointed by the Selectmen "to recommend such changes and amendments as may be necessary". The Committee appointed included Kathleen Ludlam, Arthur Gilbert, Tony Atwill, Barbara Ketchum and Charles Uhlig. The Town is indebted to these five concientious citizens for the time and effort expended to improve and clarify the By-laws.

The Planning Commission submitted suggestions to the Review Committee, reviewed their recommendations, held a public hearing on the proposed revisions and submitted a report to the Selectmen.

Following a public hearing held by the Selectmen, a proposed revision to the Zoning By-laws will be submitted to the voters at the Town Meeting in March, 1984. The revisions deserve the thoughtful consideration and support of the voters.

One other area of increasing importance to the Town deserves mention. Members of the Planning Commission attended two Act 250 Hearings during the year on projects of vital concern. These hearings take considerable time. They are important in that they provide the opportunity for the Town to express concerns that can be considered under the Act 250 criteria - concerns which are perhaps not explicitly covered under local regulations. The Commission views the Act 250 process as an additional area of responsibility. It encourages all citizens to become informed and involved early on major projects and to make their views and concerns known to the Commission.

The Commission wishes to express its appreciation to Greg Burke, Executive Director of the Bennington County Regional Commission for his advice and counsel on many issues throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
George M. Wallace, Chairman
January 15, 1984

Planning Commission Members - December 31, 1983 were as follows: George M. Wallace, Chairman; Warren Crawford, Vice Chairman; Mugs Bennett, Bob Brenneman, George Connors, Lucille Fay, Barbara Ketchum, Kathleen Ludlam, Mike Morris, Zoning Administrator - William T. Burns.

BENNINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL COMMISSION

The overall mission of the BCRC is to promote intermunicipal cooperation and coordinated development of the Bennington Region. In many respects the Commission is a 'General Store' for local government conferring with and advising planning commissions, executive and legislative bodies and officials. The Commission also serves as a bridge between local and state government through both formal and informal procedures. The work involves studies and recommendations for land use, transportation, economic development, design improvements, historic and scenic preservation, natural resources, energy, public works, and other areas of specific concern to municipalities.

While State law provides a broad 'comprehensive' function of the Commission it is a creature of local government. Each member town is allowed up to three representatives appointed by the Selectmen. The full Commission meets the third Thursday of each month and the Executive Committee meets the first Thursday of each month.

The following list of products provides an overview of the activities during the past year: Plans-Zoning Amendments and Procedures (all towns), Regional Profile-Data (published), Data Base (unpublished), Updated Census Maps, Mapping for Towns, Transportation (highways/rail), Public Transportation Coordination, North Bennington CIG Grant (assistance), CIG Grant (7 Town Consortium), Bennington Financial Analysis and Projections (being printed), Use of General Revenue Sharring Funds-10 Years. Historic Preservation Grant Applications, Recreation Grant Applications, Recreation Grant Applications, Development and Protection Site Plans, Economic Development Grant Applications, Regional Energy Project, Legislative Testimony, Workshops for Local Officials, Expansion of George D. Aiken Resources Conservation District (with SCS), Downtown Redevelopment, Solid Waste Disposal, Equinox Urban Development Action Grant, and Industrial Survey (for State).

Statutory review responsibilities include projects with Federal funds (Vermont Information Coordination System), Act 250, Electrical Transmission Facilities, and Energy Generating Facilities. Subject discussed at the Commission meetings during the past year include: LESA, Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment System, Groundwater Protection Strategy, Wilderness Designation, Future Rail Service, Solid Waste-VICON, Housing Rehabilitation Program-Grant, Impact of Land Use on the Electrical System, Community Improvement Grant Program, and Forest Resource Improvement Program. The Regional Plan adopted by the Commission is amended periodically to guide efficient and coordinated development of the Region in accordance with present and future needs and resources

John Harder
Donald Johnson
William Melhado
Town Representatives

BENNINGTON COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY, INC.
R.R. 1B - Box 262, Shaftsbury, Vermont 05262
Telephone 802-375-2898

We are extremely grateful for the \$550.00 appropriation voted by the town of Dorset in 1983 to enable us to continue serving your town.

Stray, unattended, and free-roaming animals continue to be a major problem facing today's town officials and the Bennington County Humane Society, Inc. continues to render quality service in the field of animal welfare in cooperation with the towns.

During 1983 we handled 46 animals from Dorset. Complaints of abuse and/or neglect involving cows and horses of Dorset were investigated by us. One pony was removed from its situation because of its extreme circumstances. Generally we prefer to confer with the owners and offer them helpful advice; thereby assisting the owner as well as the pet, but sometimes more than that is necessary.

Care was given to 973 cats, 932 dogs, and 54 miscellaneous small animals and birds for a total of 1,959 creatures passing through the doors of the Ann Edwards Memorial Animal Shelter. We were able to reunite many separated families as well as act as a medium for the formation of new families. 322 ill, injured, or unwanted pets were picked-up and transported to the shelter by our staff during the course of 1983.

We look forward to working with constables Hal Coolidge and Theron Troumbley, the town officials, and the residents of Dorset in the coming year. As always we offer dedicated, professional, and high quality service.

Paula E. Kautz-LaPorte, Executive Director
Bennington County Humane Society, Inc.

McBRIDE-HARWOOD POST 44

MEMORIAL DAY EXPENSES FOR 1983

Flags for cemeteries plus 1 for village green	\$196.50
Band	75.00
Flowers	30.00
Refreshments and Advertising	88.71
Total Memorial Day Expenses	\$390.21

Respectfully submitted,
James K. Harwood, Sr.
Adjutant, Post 44

BENNINGTON-RUTLAND OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL, INC.

The Bennington Rutland Opportunity Council offers a wide range of programs with advocacy, counseling, self-help and community participation as the means of presenting alternative opportunities to people in order that they may achieve their personal goals.

The following programs and services were provided in the town of Dorset.

BROC PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Outreach

1.) Education	1
2.) Employment	2
3.) Health	1
4.) Housing	3
5.) Income	9
6.) Community Organizing	2

Weatherization

1.) Homes weatherized	2
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Community Food and Nutrition Program

1.) Emergency food shelf	
1.) Number of families served	7
2.) Commodities	
a.) Number of families served	60

Energy Crisis Intervention Program

1.) Advocacy	4
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The Bennington Rutland Opportunity Council must have local funds. We would appreciate your town supporting our continued operation with \$500.00

Faith Bruneau
Executive Director

DORSET VILLAGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Library is grateful for the assistance given by the Town appropriation of \$250.00 and the \$1,000.00 in revenue sharing funds. We also appreciate the countless hours donated by many friends of the Library to day-to-day operations, to the children's story hour, and to the McIntyre Gallery showing.

This year we are particularly grateful to everyone who worked hard to make our biennial Antiques Fair the most successful ever.

We regret to announce Emma Stannard's retirement after seventeen years of outstanding services as our Librarian. We wish her well in her retirement.

We are pleased, however, that Dinah Voorhis is now our Librarian. Do stop in to welcome her.

It is gratifying to note that our book circulation in 1983 was 22,442, up some 1,000 over the previous year.

All in all 1983 was a good year for the Library. Copies of the annual financial statement are available at the Library.

William G Barrows,
President

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GREEN MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST

Following many delays resulting from Court challenges to the planning process and changing direction from Washington, the Forest Service in mid 1984 will make available for public comment a Draft Environmental Impact Statement on how the nearly 300,00 acre Green Mountain National Forest should be managed in the future. The heart of the impact Statement will be a series of maps showing various combinations of alternatives. This can best be compared with a Town Zoning Plan which may show areas zoned for various intensity of development such as industrial, light commercial, single residential, forest and recreation, etc. We use terms such as Primitive, Semi-Primitive, high quality timber production, deer wintering areas, highly developed recreation (ski areas and campgrounds), special areas (remote ponds, the Long Trail, scenic mountain peaks), and Wilderness. We will have an alternative showing how we feel the Green Mountain National Forest should be managed. Anyone interested in becoming more knowledgeable about how we plan to manage the National Forest should contact me at the Manchester Office located east of Town on Route 11 & 30.

Fuelwood for home consumption continues to be in great demand. Permits for up to 5 cords of dead or down wood will be issued free to individuals allowing cutting within all Towns on the Forest. These free use permits will be available after May 1, 1983. Also a limited number of 3 to 5 cord sales of marked live trees will be provided. Persons interested in individual sales should contact the Manchester Ranger District Office prior to May 1, 1983. A random drawing will assign persons individual sale lots. Fuelwood may also be obtained from many of the commercial loggers cutting on National Forest.

Interest in cutting Christmas trees has risen sharply. Permits were issued for a fee in 1983 allowing cutting in 9 designated areas. Cutting by individuals in nondesignated sites and/or without permit is unauthorized. Information will be available after November 15th concerning the 1984 Christmas Tree program.

WOLFGANG F. SCHUMANN
District Ranger, Green Mountain National Forest

1983 VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

2-7-83	A daughter, Alexandria Elaine to Melina and Edward Baertschi
2-10-83	A son, Warren James, to Rose and Warren James McIntyre, Jr.
2-18-83	A daughter, Audry Rose, to Helen and John Raymond Harris
2-22-83	A son, Sean Patrick, to Barbara C. and Thomas Kevin McDermott
2-22-83	A daughter, Anna Karina, to Phillis and Ragnar Henning Johansen
3-26-83	A daughter, Erin Katherine, to Donalee and Christopher John Brickell
4-4-83	A son, Justin Douglas, to Deborah P. and Douglas M. Wilk
4-4-83	A daughter, Robin Leigh, to Sarah D. and Gary Bruce Baker
4-5-83	A son, Brooks Richard, to Catherine C. and Richard Douglas Hunter
4-11-83	A son, Ian Baer, to Cynthia and Edward Dalzell Marion
4-16-83	A son, Stephen Derek, to Catharina A. and Joseph Paul Hegedus
5-4-83	A daughter, Danielle Annette, to Marie T. and Michel Baumann
5-7-83	A son, Michael George, to Nancy Bushee Connors and Michael George Connors
5-28-83	A son, Brian Joseph, to Sandra Hope and Danny Joe Pinsonault
6-17-83	A daughter, Lisa Mae, to Katherine R. and Thomas W. Beebe
7-4-83	A daughter, Cassandra Lynn to Carrol Ann and Michael Ray Sheldon
7-6-83	A son, Adam Louis, to Susan T. and William Wayne Bourn
8-4-83	A daughter, Karen Kay, to Grace and Robert Walter Reynolds
8-17-83	A son, Daniel Paul, to Joan Mary and Raymond John Jez
8-22-83	A daughter, Danniella Gail, to Rochelle Ostroff-Weinberg and Robert Jay Weinberg
8-27-83	A son, Brian Kaveny, to Susan and Richard Allen Rawls
9-10-83	A son, Gardner Noble, to Virginia V. and Lyman Sturtevant Foss
10-10-83	A daughter, Kara Byrne, to Beth Ann and Willard Harold Watson III
11-2-83	A son, Scott Henry, to Sharon Lee Park and Richard Arden Rishell, Jr.
11-4-83	A daughter, Megan Jane, to Barbara L. and George Michael McNeill
11-11-83	A son, Jared Toroker, to Dianne S. and Marc Tron

DEATHS

1-1-83	Marjorie L. Bruso	81
1-6-83	John Mathias Beres	59
1-26-83	Ralph E. Stiles	81
4-24-83	Hazel D. Rubadeau	69
5-10-83	Dana Richard Thomas Jones	35
6-7-83	Genevieve Schreiter Irons	80
7-15-83	Ted Wolfgang Keller	72
7-24-83	Beulah E. Hanf	77
8-17-83	Oscar Augustus Knipe VII	80
8-17-83	Elizabeth (Betty) King	78
9-2-83	Marjorie H. Burger	85
9-23-83	Pricilla Fay Yates	81
10-12-83	Abel Lawrence Peirson, Jr.	86
12-4-83	Kenneth Alexander Osmer	64
12-29-83	Ruth Sweeney Robinson	80

MARRIAGES

1-4-83	Christopher Jay Fendel of Manchester Center and Susan Michele Geldbaugh of Dorset
2-12-83	Matthew Harold Waite of Pawlet and Kellie Lynn Baker of Dorset
2-12-83	Andrew Schultz Berkey of Dorset and Edith Dulles Sylvester of Dorset
3-27-83	John H. Merwin of Dorset and Martha Louise Poole of Dorset
4-16-83	David George Warner of Granville, N.Y. and Jennifer Lynn Boyce of Granville, N.Y.
4-23-83	Glenn Edwin Davis of Yarmouth, Maine and Kathy Jean Hockman of Dorset
5-28-83	Peter Craig Wyman of Dorset and Debra Lynn Baird of Dorset
6-5-83	George R. Graf of Dorset and Katherine A. Branscombe of West Hartford, Conn.
7-23-83	John Raymond Franzoni of Dorset and Lisa Ann Paskiewicz of Dorset
8-13-83	Stewart Nelson Beattie of Peru and Vickie Lynn Davis of Dorset
8-19-83	Matthew Eric Proft of Dorset and Bethlin Emily Thompson of Dorset
8-21-83	Edwin W. Elmore of Manchester and Lynn S. Barry of Dorset
9-10-83	John Stanley Towsley of Pawlet and Constance Ann Arthur of Pawlet
9-17-83	Michael Bernard Picotte of Albany, N.Y. and Margaret N. Lindsay of Albany, N.Y.
11-5-83	Richard A. Prouty of Manchester and Hazewl M. Troumbley of Manchester
11-19-83	Frank A. Tarbell of Dorset and Joyce C. Miller of Dorset

INVENTORY OF TOWN EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY

\$ 18,475.00	1-1979 Ford Dump Truck
23,684.00	1-1979 International Dump Truck
19,396.26	1-1982 Chevy C-70 Dump Truck
1,845.00	1-1970 Viking Snow Plow
1,875.00	1-1971 Viking Snow Plow
31,203.00	1-1969 Austin-Western Grader, Pacer 300, 1 Wing, 1 Bulldozer Blade, 1 V-Plow and 1 Reversible Snow Plow Blade
41,215.00	1-1975 Michigan 4-Wheel drive loader
26,728.00	1-1977 Ford 550 Tractor, Loader, Backhoe Unit
9,966.00	1-1979 Chevrolet Pickup 4-Wheel drive with Plow and Frame
2,100.00	1-1978 Viking Snow Plow
650.00	1-V-Truck Plow
800.00	1-Swenson Truck Sander
1,660.00	1-Hydraulic Sander
770.00	1-Swenson Sander with salt auger
800.00	1-York Rake
3,148.00	1-Hydraulic Sweeper HL 72" loader Mounted
400.00	1-Chloride Spreader
651.00	2-Homelite Chain Saws
135.00	1-Brush Saw
200.00	1-Air Compressor and Grease Gun
100.00	1-Welder
75.00	1-Bench Grinder
60.00	2-Electric Drills
375.00	1-Steam Cleaner
13,225.00	1-1973 Kolberg Screen Plant
725.00	1-Hale Model 2SFAB23 Portable Pump #52065, new 1972
100.00	1-Used Portable Generator 2.5 KW #860900266
100.00	1-Acetylene Torch Outfit
100.00	1-Impact Wrench
5,595.00	6-Mobile Radios and 1 Base Station with ground plane antenna and 50 foot Extension Mast
4,260.00	3-Mobile Radios on Vermont State Police Communications System
984.00	1-Portable Unit
1,395.00	1-Radar MPH K55, Complete
1,000.00	Miscellaneous small hand tools necessary for minor repairs and upkeep. Chains, bars, shovels, and stone forks necessary to do the job.
37,000.00	Garage Contents - Insurance figures
<u>16,000.00</u>	Office Contents - Insurance figures
\$266,975.26	

VERNON C. SQUIERS, Town Manager

1983 DOG LICENSES

Males, un-neutered, 95 @ \$6.00 each	\$ 564.00
Males, neutered, 35 @ \$4.00 each	140.00
Males, un-neutered, late, 32 @ \$9.00 each	288.00
Males, neutered, late, 18 @ \$6.00 each	108.00
Females, unspayed, 25 @ \$8.00 each	200.00
Females, spayed, 117 @ \$4.00 each	468.00
Females, unspayed, late 12 @ \$12.00 each	144.00
Females, spayed, late, 44 @ \$6.00 each	<u>264.00</u>
Total funds collected	\$ 2176.00
Total No. of dogs licensed - 377	
Clerk fees at \$2.00 each	- 754.00
	\$ 1422.00
Total overpayment of dog licenses	- 14.00
Balance due to Town for dog licenses fees	\$ 1408.00
Total fees remitted to Town of Dorset:	
January 1983	\$ 20.00
February	44.00
March	396.00
April	750.00
May	104.00
June	36.00
July	10.00
August	4.00
September	0.00
October	8.00
November	16.00
December	<u>20.00</u>
Total	\$ 1408.00

1983 LIQUOR LICENSES

License Fees Collected:	
David Bischoff, for South Dorset Gen. Store, 2nd Class ..	\$ 50.00
David Bischoff, for Bischoff's Gen. Store, 2nd Class	50.00
Jay Hathaway, for Peltier's Market, 2nd Class	50.00
Dorset Field Club, 1st Class	100.00
Barrows Tavern, 1st Class	100.00
Dorset Inn, 1st Class	100.00
Marbledge Motel (Marbledge Lodge Inc.), 1st Class	100.00
Chantecleer, 1st Class	100.00
Village Auberge, 1st Class	100.00
Marbledge Motel (Tri-M Corporation), 1st Class	<u>100.00</u>
Total fees collected by Town Clerk	\$ 850.00
Fees retained by Town Clerk (\$5.00 per application processed)	- 50.00
Total fee remitted to Town of Dorset:	\$ 800.00
March 1983	230.00
April	475.00
May	0.00
June	0.00
July	0.00
August	0.00
September	0.00
October	95.00
November	0.00
December	<u>0.00</u>
Total fees remitted to Town	\$ 800.00

DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX

October 1976			
Black, Charles	\$	16.38	\$ 16.38
March 1977			
Black, Charles		9.45	9.45
October 1977			
Black, Charles		16.47	16.47
Black, Charles		9.99	9.99
October 1978			
Black, Charles		17.28	17.28
March 1979			
Black, Charles		10.62	
Read, Walter, Jr., & Linda		130.39	
White, John & Marietta		34.22	175.23
October 1979			
Black, Charles		17.82	
Read, Walter Jr., & Linda		218.79	
White, John D. & Marietta		57.42	294.03
June 1980			
Black, Charles		11.34	
Tate, Wm. III (Bacon, Nancy)		46.62	
White, John & Marietta		36.54	94.50
October 1980			
Black, Charles	Balance Due	19.26	
Fenno, Elizabeth		1.83	
Marino, Susan C.F.	Balance due	363.37	
Tate, Wm. III (Bacon, Nancy)		79.18	
White, John D. & Marietta		62.06	525.70
March 1981			
Black, Charles		11.70	
Fenno, Elizabeth		3.90	
Marino, Susan C.F.		484.25	
Tate, Wm. III (Bacon, Nancy)		48.10	
White, John & Mareitta		37.70	585.65
October 1981			
Black, Charles		20.52	
Butler, Florence		120.84	
Fenno, Elizabeth		6.84	
Hicks, John (Antiques)		57.00	
Lethbridge, Richard D. & Marion K.	Balance Due	185.64	
Malas, John & Donna		212.04	
Marino, Susan C.F.	Balance Due	141.68	
Read, Walter, Jr., & Linda		251.94	
Tate, Wm. III (Bacon, Nancy)		84.36	
White, John D. & Marietta		66.12	
Wu, Vivienne, Elizabeth		393.30	1540.28
March 1982 Special			
Black, Charles	\$	1.80	
Fenno, Elizabeth60	
Malas, John & Donna		18.60	
Mann, Olive		4.30	
Marino, Susan C.F.		21.20	

Morrissey, Clarence & Christine70	
Niles, Lillian A.	6.80	
Read, Walter Jr., & Linda	22.10	
Solari, Robert J.	17.00	
Tate, Wm. III (Bacon, Nancy)	7.40	100.50

March 1982

Black, Charles	13.14	
Butler, Florence	77.38	
Fenno, Elizabeth	4.38	
Hicks, John (Antiques)	36.50	
Lethbridge, Richard & Marion	310.98	
Malas, John & Donna	135.78	
Marino, Susan C.F.	154.76	
Niles, Lillian A. Balance Due	6.92	
Read, Walter Jr., & Linda	161.33	
Solari, Robert J.	124.10	
Tate, Wm. III (Bacon, Nancy)	54.02	1079.29

October 1982

Black, Charles	14.94	
Butler, Florence	87.98	
Fenno, Elizabeth	4.98	
Kucin, Joseph Balance Due	28.76	
Lethbridge, Richard D. & Marion K.	353.58	
Malas, John & Donna	154.38	
Mann, Olive	35.69	
Marino, Susan C.F.	175.96	
Nichols, John W. Jr., & Ethel W.	1171.96	
Phillips, Russell A.	14.11	
Product Communications	286.35	
Roberts, Dennis S. & Emma	10.79	
Solari, Robert J.	141.10	
Stannard, Robert C.	4.15	
Stannard, Robert C. & Judy L.	239.87	
Tate, Wm. III (Bacon, Nancy)	61.42	
Wu, Vivienne Elizabeth	286.36	
Young, Sidney P.	173.47	3245.84

May 1983

B. & B. Beverage, Inc.89	
Bernstein, Maxine D. Balance Due	354.77	
Bickel, Gertrude, L.	66.75	
Black, Charles	16.02	
Cook, Gladys P. Balance Due	.68	
Fenno, Elizabeth	5.34	
Frost, Clyde W. & Const. A.	54.29	
Kucin, Joseph	160.20	
Lethbridge, Richard D. & Marion K.	379.14	
Malas, John & Donna	165.54	
Mann, Olive	38.27	
Marino, Susan C.F.	188.68	
Nichols, John W. Jr., & Ethel W.	1256.68	
Niles, Lillian A.	60.52	
Nims, Robert (et al) Balance Due	590.06	
Nims, Robert G.	251.87	
Parks, Raymond J. & Charlotte	117.48	

Phillips, Russell A.	15.13	
Product Communications	307.05	
Roberts, Dennis S. & Emma	11.57	
Scott, Stuart	92.56	
Solari, Robert J.	151.30	
Sprague, Hiram	17.80	
Stannard, Robert C.	4.45	
Stannard, Robert C. & Judy L.	257.21	
Stavens and Frost, Inc.	1495.20	
Stavens and Frost, Inc.	65.86	
Sweeney, Susan A.	371.13	
Sweeney, Susan A.	26.70	
Tate, Wm. III (Bacon, Nancy)	65.86	
Wu, Vivienne Elizabeth	307.05	
Young, Sidney P.	186.01	7082.06

October 1983

Angst, Carlton C.	44.40	
Bernstein, Maxine D.	572.76	
Black, Charles	19.98	
Brown, Thomas S. & Denise F.	925.74	
Butler, Florence	117.66	
Casey, Claude	22.20	
D'Eredita, Cosmo E. & Gertrude M.	195.36	
Dorr, Douglas D.	2.22	
Fenno, Elizabeth	6.66	
Irons, Genevieve	298.59	
Kristiansen, Harry Jr., & Norma	145.41	
Kucin, Joseph	199.80	
Lake, John P. (Beattie, Ed)	9.99	
Lee Equities	235.32	
Lethbridge, Richard D. & Marion K.	472.86	
Malas, Donna	206.46	
Mann, Olive	47.73	
Mason, Louis A. & Mary D.	Balance Due	5.18
Mason, Louis J. Jr.	66.60	
Mattison, William J.	111.00	
Miller, Gary	412.92	
Nichols, John W. Jr. & Ethel W.	1567.32	
Niles, Lillian A.	75.48	
Phillips, Russell A.	18.87	
Product Communications	382.95	
Real Estate 100	5.55	
Roberts, Dennis S. & Emma	14.43	
Solari, Robert J.	116.55	
Stacy, Kenneth J. & Gertrude B.	548.34	
Stannard, Janet	Balance Due	194.38
Stannard, Robert C.	5.55	
Stannard, Robert C. & Judy L.	320.79	
Starr, Cynthia S.	977.91	
Sweeney, Susan A.	462.87	
Sweeney, Susan A.	33.30	
Tate, Wm. III (Bacon, Nancy)	82.14	
Wu, Vivienne Elizabeth	382.95	
Young, Sidney P.	231.99	9540.21

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF DORSET SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING,
FEBRUARY 28 and MARCH 1, 1983.**

The meeting was called to order at 9:20 P.M. by Moderator Rhys Evans, who proceeded to read the Warning as published in the Town Report, noting the Correction of Article 7 to Read Chapter 27, Sub-Chapter 2, rather than Chapter 24, Sub-Chapter 2, as printed.

Article 1: To hear the reports of the officers of the Dorset Town School District and to take proper action on the same. Warren Crawford moved to accept the reports as published. James Gilbert seconded the motion. The question was called and carried.

Article 2: To elect Town School District Officers for the ensuing year. To be Voted by Australian Ballot.

Article 3: To vote a sum of money necessary for the support of the public school for the fiscal year of July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984. Nathaniel Tyler moved to approve the sum as specified in the Budget as printed in the town report, being \$796,098.44. The motion was seconded by David Sirak.

Jack Stannard questioned the amount of interest on investments as being only a small return compared with the return on investments made for the Town on a smaller budget figure.

School Director McGrath commented that the School District funds are not paid within the same time frame that the Town taxes are paid, and that the School District is, as by law allowed, funded through the year on borrowed funds. In addition she pointed out it was difficult to make a firm estimate of income at this time, since the School District fiscal year does not end until June 30, 1983, and that interest rates in general have dropped during the past year.

School Director Dee also added in reference to Exhibit C. on page 31 of the Town Report Book, that while the estimates of anticipated interest income have been low, the actual interest received in the year ending June 30, 1982 was 17,227 dollars, being a surplus of \$13,227 over the estimated \$4,000. It is probable he noted, that the same situation will occur again this year.

John Bose inquired as to whether the Town and School District could pool funds to invest in large deposit higher interest money market funds. School Board Chairman Burden replied that the town and school district are two separate legal entities, and cannot pool their funds in that way, but commented that the Board currently takes full advantage of the funds available for investment at the highest possible interest. Nathaniel Tyler commended the board for holding the line on the budget, and commented on the more than 64,000 dollar increase in secondary tuition, inquiring whether this represented an increased tuition at Burr and Burton, or a larger number of students.

Chairman Burden replied that it was due to a combination of the two, there being a large graduating class and a large increase in Burr and Burton's tuition rate. He noted the tuition in 1983-1984 will be \$2975.00 per student.

Mrs. Patricia Bourhill read a statement pertinent to item 2130 Health, Contracted Services, as follows:

Since 1966 the Dorset Nursing Association has provided the nursing program at our elementary school. These services include a nurse present at school 2 hours each day, plus 6½ hours daily of an emergency "on-call service". DNA also provides 100 volunteer hours each year.

Then we go into the various programs to screen pupils, including hearing vis.growth,

blood pressure, Dental, Scoliosis, Immunization, first aid, CPR, pre-school screening, health education, home visits, a standards of care annual review, administration of medication and assuming the responsibility for administration of medication by trained people.

This situation now exists—The school board has only budgeted \$3,000 to continue the services of a nurse. The DNA needs \$4,000 to cover expenses in order to continue these services. If we do not allocate \$1,000 this would mean the loss of 2 hours each week of the nurse at school and it would eliminate many of the programs I've mentioned, like pre-school screening, the 5th grade physical, the dental program. It would limit other services, like home visits, medication administration and health education.

But the biggest service we would lose is the DNA's on call service to the children. This includes 6 RN's who would be available in an emergency situation. We are talking about providing emergency assistance for situations like asthmatic attacks, diabetic coma, or heaven forbid a playground accident or school bus accident. The Dorset Nursing Association has always provided these 1200 hours of emergency coverage at no extra charge. If we do not allocate \$1000.00 more in the budget for nursing, this important service will not continue.

This is not the area to try and save money. On page d of the Budget proposal, you will notice that in 1982-83 \$3,280 was budgeted and spent for this service. In 1983-84, \$3,000. is budgeted.

I would like to move that \$1000 be added to this year's budget, which is only \$720 more than last year's amount, so that we can provide the same service to the children. The motion was seconded by Margaret Morris.

Nathaniel Tyler commented on the proposed withdrawal of emergency service by the Nursing Association.

Chairman Burden pointed out that at the time of budget preparation the school board invited the DNA to speak to the board and to present their figures for services to be provided for the ensuing year. Because the figure initially quoted by the Nursing Association was substantially higher than that for the preceding year, the Board requested a breakdown of what services might be provided should the Board cut back on some of services which were not required by law; and suggested a budget figure of \$3,000. This requested information did not become available to the School Directors until the evening of the budget meeting.

Mr. Burden also reiterated that the Board was not considering discontinuing nursing services at the school, but explained that they felt that they should take a look at what was being provided, what is required by law, and what services might be curtailed somewhat without undue problems.

He pointed out that in the instance of the "on call" nursing service, the Board felt that in consideration of the fact that the nursing service does not always have a nurse in the office to dispatch in the case of an emergency, in some cases the responding nurse would be leaving other duties to come to the school, and in consideration of the fact that there are personnel on staff at the school trained in emergency procedures and CPR, and the fact that the Manchester Rescue Squad is within approximately the same response distance as DNA, that the DNA service might be expendible, for on-call emergency situations.

Mr. James Gilbert pointed out that the time-cost values involved would support continuance of the full services of DNA. Bruce Bourhill pointed out that while the Nursing Association would probably not refuse to respond to any nursing demand in an emergency situation, they might not be as liable to maintain a nurse in the office for on call duties if the contract were not renewed as in the past.

Merriam Spoffard pointed out that the State of Vermont presently conducts a dental program in the school, and inquired as to DNA dental program details.

School superintendent Houlihan responded that the state does indeed provide dental program in the school or for the school, and that DNA's role is substantially to provide transportation, and administrative coordination as well as volunteer administrative time.

The question was called on amending the budget by an additional \$1000 to cover an additional amount for the DNA, and the budget was amended to a total of \$797,098.44. The question of the total budget as amended was called and carried.

Article 4. To authorize the School Board to borrow money by issuance of notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year. Moved as warned by James Gilbert, seconded by Elizabeth Dern, called and carried.

Article 5. To see if the legal voters will authorize the collection of property taxes for the Dorset School District Budgetary Fund one half on or before October 7, 1983, the second half on or before March 10, 1984. Moved as written and warned, Nathaniel Tyler, seconded Robert D. Thum, called and carried.

Article 6. To determine what compensation the Town School District will pay its officers for the ensuing year. Karen Bovey moved to table the article. Austin Rumney seconded the motion, Warren Crawford inquired as to why. The question was called and defeated. Dennis Burden moved to compensate the officers as previously compensated, Robert Thum seconded the motion, the question was called and carried.

Article 7. Shall the Dorset Town School District be exempt from the provisions of Chapter 27, Sub-Chapter 2 of Title 15 of Vermont Statutes Annotated, which requires the District to operate a school lunch program. Moved as warned by Nathaniel Tyler. Seconded by Elizabeth Dern. Mr. Burden commented on the present hot lunch program, and the lack of interest in the lunches in general as evidenced by lack of participation in the program as it now is run as a satellite program from Manchester. The alternative suggestion is to run a soup and sandwich program from the school's own kitchen, which would be more inexpensive to both the school district and the students.

Margaret Morris questioned whether the budgeted amount was sufficient to run the program described, and whether the milk program would still be available.

Superintendent Houlihan responded that milk would still be available and that there would be some State funding available should the present hot lunch program be dropped.

School Board Chairman Burden answered that the budget was supplementary to the fees that would be charged to the students who took the school lunch as proposed, and that this should be a sufficient amount to budget.

Mr. Crawford inquired as to the current hot lunch cost. Superintendent Houlihan replied that it was presently \$.80.

Elizabeth Dern questioned as to the actual participation in the present program by students, and Superintendent Houlihan responded that it varied by days, and that the low figure was about 20 students in the school participating on a given day.

Margaret Morris questioned whether the budgeted \$3,000.00 would also cover the cost of someone to prepare and serve the food. Mr. Burden replied that it would. The question was called and Carried.

Article 8. To see if the legal voters, in the event Article 7 is not approved, will appropriate the sum of \$8,000. to continue the school lunch program. Not applicable.

Article 9. Other business proper to come before this meeting. No further business was brought before the meeting.

The meeting was recessed at 10:05 P.M. until the Australian Ballot at 10 A.M. March 1, 1983.

Margaret Phillips Burden, Town Clerk
Rhys Evans, Moderator

MINUTES OF DORSET TOWN MEETING

February 28, 1983

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Moderator Rhys Evans, who proceeded to read the Warning as published in the Town Report, and then commenced the discussion of the First Article as Warned.

Article 1. To hear reports of Town Officers and take proper action on same. Warren Crawford moved to accept the report of Town Officers as printed in the Town Report. James Lee seconded the motion. The question was called and carried.

Article 2. To be voted by Australian Ballot. To elect Town officers for the ensuing year.

Article 3. Shall the Town elect to use the Australian Ballot for the Following articles at the 1984 Annual Town Meeting:

#1 — To see if the voters shall approve the Selectmen's Official Budget as submitted in the Town Report.

#2 — State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 (Revenue Sharing)

A motion in favor of Article 3, both items, was made by George Ludlam and Seconded by Nathaniel Tyler. The question was called and carried.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay current expenses of the Town.

A motion was made by Henry A. Chapman to raise money by taxation to pay current expenses of the Town. The motion was seconded by Jane Walker. The question was called and carried.

Article 5. Shall the names of delinquent taxpayers, Real Estate and Personal Property be published in the Town Report if Delinquent on December 31? A motion in favor of publication was made by Wells Brown and seconded by Robert D. Thum. The question was called and carried.

Article 6. To see if the legal voters will authorize the collection of all Property Taxes on or before October 7, 1983, with no discount and delinquent interest at the maximum rate allowed by law.

A motion was made by William Mahlmann to collect taxes in accordance with the terms of Article 6. The motion was seconded by Margaret Morris. The question was called and carried.

Article 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to take advantage of any State or Federal monies available. The motion was made by Warren Crawford and seconded by James Lee. The question was called and carried.

Article 8. To be voted by Australian Ballot. Comments and questions were invited. There were none.

Article 9. To see if the voters would approve the construction of a new Town Office? The motion to approve a New Town office was made by William Mahlmann and seconded by Nathaniel Tyler. The following discussion ensued:

Lucille W. Fay asked whether an approval of the motion as made and warned would preclude and addition to the present building.

The Selectmen responded that this Article referred only to the construction of an entirely new building.

Selectman David Richards presented some data on the cost of the proposed new building, at \$47.50 per square foot, and the cost of renovating the present building at \$40.50 per square foot. He estimated the cost of a new building at 95,410 dollars and the cost of addition and renovation of the existing building at 85,060 dollars.

James Lee inquired as to the planned disposal of the present building and site.

Mr. Richards replied that the property would be sold, or that the present building might be razed to provide for a park site or recreational area for East Dorset.

Mr. Richards went on to say that presently the Town has on hand \$31,105 toward new building or renovation. With the additional \$20,000 to be voted, if approved at this meeting, that would leave a balance to be raised by donation or bond.

Mr. Lee raised the issue that the proceeds from the sale of the present town building might be used to defray a part of the cost of the new construction.

Donald Kellogg inquired as to the reasons for the proposed new construction, and what problems existed with the present building. Mr. Richards cited energy inefficiency, a failing heating system, and the necessity of replacing the present roof. In addition, he pointed to the present building as unattractive and indicated that the present vault system is not up to present standards for fire protection. The final consideration is the inadequacy of the size of the present building, which is not sufficient to comfortably accommodate present needs, much less the growing needs of the community.

Karen Bovey inquired about the land which has already been given to the Town by the Ludlams for use as a recreational area, and pointed out that it was not presently being used for that purpose. (This is land adjacent to the present Town Hall site.)

Robert Wells Brown, selectman, reiterated three possible uses for the present site.

1. To level it for a park.
2. To sell it, with some question as to what purpose it might serve. (Mr. Brown's example of a potential use was that it might serve the town as a better site for a post office than the present site.)
3. To rent or lease it, which is not being seriously considered, since the Town would then be responsible for the necessary costly repairs and renovation, as well as building liability.

Herbert Simmons inquired as to whether the plans for the proposed new Town Building had been prepared by a registered architect.

Mr. Richards responded that an architect had been "conferred" with in reference to the building layout and construction feasibility.

In response to a question of where this architect was from, Mr. Richards replied Washington, D.C.

George Ludlam inquired as to whether the 95,000 figure for the new building included site preparation.

Mr. Richards replied that it did not include shrubbery and seeding, but did include well, septic system, foundation and building.

Mr. William Melhado inquired whether, if the goal was energy efficiency and more pleasant surroundings, more consideration was not given to working with what we have, and trying to determine whether there might be a better cost/benefit ratio.

Mr. Richards replied that it would require at least 18,000 in addition to a new heating plant estimated at 8,900 dollars, to make the present building livable.

Kathleen Ludlam inquired about the possibility of building a new building on the present site. Mr. Richards replied that that would be discussed under the following article.

Mildred O'Neal inquired as to the figures provided for renovating the present building, and how many estimates were obtained from contractors. Mr. Richards replied that the overall estimate had been put together based on information provided from a number of individual sources of construction components, including the supplier of vaults, the heating system, etc.

Mr. Henry VanLoon asked why the figure was not based on completed plans and bids based on specifications.

Mr. Richards replied that the figure was based on one contractor's methods of putting together cost information from many sources.

Mr. Crawford inquired as to the possibility that these figures might be lower than the actual construction cost, leaving the town to absorb a greater expense than planned for.

Mr. Richards said he felt that the figures estimated were probably higher than the construction cost.

The motion was called and defeated.

Article 10. Will the voters approve the site for the new Town Office in front of the Dorset School or an alternate site that meets the criteria of existing Law?

Mr. Warren Crawford made a motion to approve the school site. Mr. Richards seconded the motion.

Mr. Henry A. Chapman inquired as to the criteria of existing law.

Mr. Vernon Squiers, town manager, responded that the basic criteria was the septic waste disposal area.

Mr. Joseph Dresnok inquired as to whether a site approval is relevant for a building that is not to be built.

The moderator responded that a motion had been made, and it was necessary to take some action to dispose of it.

Margaret Morris inquired as to whether there was any way to ensure a particular use of the present town building site if a new site were chosen.

The selectman replied in the negative.

John Nassivera indicated that his interpretation of the article as written clearly implied that the building site to be discussed was for the building that had already been voted down.

Mr. Robert D. Thum, selectman, responded with a general summation of the need for a town hall, the four to five years of thought that had gone into the planning, the central location of the proposed school site, the possibility that a donation of land would be made, about which he was unprepared to speak at that time, and the possibility that a special town meeting may need to be called at some time during the year for the purpose of approving an alternative site.

Mrs. Kathleen Ludlam inquired as to what objections existed as to the present site in East Dorset, should the present building be razed.

Marjorie Chapman inquired as to the amount of land available at the present East Dorset site.

Town Manager Squiers responded that there is approximately one acre which had been previously tested and approved by the State, for the purposes of an application for Federal Funds for new town office construction, which were not forthcoming.

Ruth McGrath inquired as to why the previous application had been rejected.

Mr. Squiers replied that despite a great deal of effort to get the funding for Dorset, the allocation was made to other towns.

A motion was made by Walter Read Sr. to table the motion on the article. The motion to table was seconded by Austin Rumney. The motion to table was called and carried.

Article 11. To see if the voters will approve the sum of \$20,000 for a new Town Office Building or renovation-expansion-rehabilitation fund. Selectman John P. Stannard moved the article be approved as warned. Nathaniel Tyler seconded the motion.

Michael Morris asked how much money is presently in the fund. Mr. Richards replied that there was 31,105.57 as of Dec. 31, 1982. Lucille Fay inquired if any alternative funding was available.

Town Manager Squiers replied that there is none available at present that the town is aware of.

Mr. Squiers further stated that because of the present acute need of renovation of the present building, it is probable that some of these funds presently on hand may be used for renovation.

Ruth McGrath inquired as to the mobility of a vault system, once constructed.

Mr. Squiers requested that the Town Clerk respond.

Town Clerk Margaret Burden pointed out the type of construction required for vaults housing public records would have to be a permanent installation and suggested that any planning done with regard to these facilities should be done with an idea to making them of nature which would not require replacement in ten or fifteen years, and that while the present building is not ideal, it would be preferable to make do in the present site and building until well thought plans are prepared for a permanent replacement building.

Henry A. Chapman inquired as to whether serious thought had been given to repairs and renovations to the present structure.

Selectman Robert Wells Brown replied that repairs would not be cost effective in the present building.

Lucille Fay offered the comment that the previously discussed article 9 had been voted down in probability due to the lack of plans presented to the townspeople and the poorly worded warning of the article.

Selectman Brown replied that the public had shown no interest in the hearings which the Selectmen held during the planning of the proposed new building.

The article was called and carried, according to the moderator's interpretation.

Mr. Crawford called for a show of hands, and Mr. Evans, the moderator agreed to divide the house. Those standing for the article as warned numbered 69. Those standing in opposition to the article as warned numbered 59. The article was carried as warned.

Article 12. Will the town of Dorset appropriate the sum of \$1500.00 to the Dorset Nursing Association to help defray the continually rising operating expenses such as building maintenance, nursing and therapy supplies, well child clinics and other medical procedures offered the public? William Mahlmann moved the article as warned. Robert D. Thum seconded.

Nathaniel Tyler inquired as to whether these funds would be in addition to revenue sharing funds to be voted by Australian ballot. He was answered affirmatively.

The question was called and carried.

Article 13. State and Local Assistance Act of 1972. To be voted by Australian Ballot. Discussion and comments invited.

Nathaniel Tyler inquired as to the wording of the article, which states "there will be sufficient revenue sharing funds on hand to pay all of the above appropriations if approved", as opposed to previous revenue sharing warnings in other years which stated that there "are sufficient. . . funds on hand".

Town Manager Squiers responded that this allocation would include funds allotted to the Town through the Revenue Sharing program through September 1983.

Brude Bourhill inquired about the specification in item 12 that the funds be used for non labor budgeting purposes.

Selectman Mahlmann explained that the School Board had made three separate requests for revenue sharing funds, and that the Selectmen were unable to agree on an allocation between the three requests.

They therefore made a lump sum allocation to the School District to use toward the projects for which funds had been requested or for other projects which did not involve labor.

School Board Chairman Burden clarified that the three items for which funds had been requested were:

1. The completion of installation of energy conservation shades in the windows of the school, which had already been begun previously.
2. The compliance with barrier removal requirements, which would make the school accessible for handicapped students and personel.
3. A vehicle replacement fund, which would cover replacement of presently used pickup truck and lawn maintenance tractor equipment.

Michael Morris inquired as to the disposition of the funds if not voted under item 12.

Joseph Dresnok commented that if the funds were not approved, they could not be expended.

Selectman Stannard clarified the conditional use of the funds for "non labor budgeting purposes". The selectmen felt that because Federal law requires any labor expenditure to be made in accordance with Davis Bacon wage restrictions, which require a much greater wage to be paid than the prevailing local wages, that such expenditure was not cost efficient.

School board member Henry Chapman reiterated the three items for which revenue sharing requests had been made, and explained that the school was required to provide educational services to all children of the town, and that when the situation arose that a handicapped child must be served, the town school district was obliged to provide transportation and tuition for such a child to a barrier free school. Several years ago the cost for removing barriers from the Dorset school, including renovation of restroom

facilities and stairway areas, was estimated at 40-45,000 dollars. In the past, the cost of transportation and tuition for a handicapped student has cost approximately 9,000 per year. He pointed out that should this situation be repeated for several years, the necessary expenditure would equal or exceed the cost of the renovation.

In response to a question regarding the use of the present pickup truck for picking up the hot lunches from the Manchester satellite program, and whether this might not be needed should the warned article relating to school lunches on the School District warning be approved, Mr. Chapman replied, that if the truck were not needed it would not be purchased and the funds would be used in accordance with the warning for item 12 article 13.

Nathaniel Tyler commented on the fact that next year the Revenue Sharing allocation would be only \$4,300.00, as opposed to the \$42,348.00 available for allocation this year.

Article 14. Will the Town of Dorset appropriate \$1,000 to the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (R.S.V.P.) for support of its activities. (Petitioned) Henry VanLoon moved the article as warned. Lucille Fay seconded. Ruth McGrath inquired as to whether this article was petitioned as the result of a Revenue Sharing request denied. The selectmen responded no. Lucille Fay made a brief statement in favor of R.S.V.P. in explanation of its purpose and the use made of the funds. The motion was called and carried.

Article 15. Will the Town of Dorset approve the abolishment of Inventory Tax as provided by Statute. By petition.

The article was moved as warned by Robert Wells Brown and seconded by James Gilbert. David Sirak questioned the amount of money raised for the town by the inventory tax in 1982. The selectmen were unable to answer from memory and invited the comments of the Listers.

Lister John Bose estimated that "if all the citizens were honest, there would be some 1.5 million in assessments at a grand list figure of one percent at a tax rate of \$1.72".

Selectman Stannard and the Board of Selectmen made some quick calculations and estimated the decrease in revenues would be in the neighborhood of \$15,000.00

David Sirak commented that it might be unwise to vote to eliminate the inventory tax until it was apparent what the effect would be on the towns revenues and on the tax rates of the property owners.

Austin Rumney commented that the inventory tax was the most "illegal" tax assessed because it was unfairly assessed.

Selectman Robert Wells Brown supported Mr. Rumney in his statement.

Charles Erdman, speaking as a former lister, commented that the inventory tax was certainly not "illegal" in the State of Vermont, although it might well be inequitably assessed. He also stated that he felt that there was more than \$15,000.00 involved.

Mr. William Melhado commented that it might be more aptly called a "liars" tax, and pointed out the difficulties in enforcing it equitably.

Mr. Erdman pointed out that it was not just the small businessman who pays inventory tax, and that a large portion of the tax collected was paid by larger companies, including the J.K. Adams Co., or even the Central Vermont Public Service Corp., which pays taxes on its leased fixtures and appliances in the town.

Mr. Crawford called the question as warned. Carried as warned.

Article 16. To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.

The moderator indicated that Senator Jane Gardner had provided a letter to her constituents that was available for distribution, and read a letter from Senator Madeleine Harwood regarding the work that the senate is currently doing with regard to Vermont Election law.

Selectman John P. Stannard proposed a Resolution to "ask the Planning Commission to consider the banning of condominiums and multi-family dwellings in order to preserve the present character of the town". Mr. James Gilbert seconded the motion.

Michael Morris inquired if it is possible to make such a resolution.

Mr. Warren Crawford commented that such a resolution could not be considered a dictum to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Stannard replied that this resolution would be a form of input from the public which might aid the Planning Commission in their decision to take such action.

Leslie Bose inquired as to what would result on the basis of such a resolution.

Rochelle Weinberg felt that this would show the support of the community for such a plan from the Planning Commission.

Kathleen Ludlam commented that the process of a change in the zoning ordinance would naturally include the public opinion through the normal hearing processes.

Warren Crawford indicated that such a resolution might facilitate the proposal of such a change.

The question was called and carried.

Chester Phillips questioned the validity of a vote of such a sum of money as voted in Article 11 without the use of Australian Ballot.

The selectmen responded that the Town was presently limited by law as to the uses of the Australian Ballot and the warning procedure for it.

Lucille Fay, with regard to the Town Offices suggested that detailed plans and cost data for alternative new buildings be posted in various places throughout the town for public inspection, and that if necessary, a special town meeting could be called with regard to this subject.

Nathaniel Tyler inquired as to the state of completion of the present town reappraisal.

Lister Bose explained that an orderly process of completion of the property visitation procedure, paperwork and notification of landowners of changes would probably carry through until April of 1985.

Mr. Tyler inquired as to the possibility of publishing the Grand List as revised by reappraisal in the Town Report book and made a motion to that effect. The motion was seconded by Henry VanLoon.

Lister William Burns felt that it might be possible that the re-appraisal be completed this year. If completed, he pointed out that during the last reappraisal, copies of the completed list of properties and their respective appraisals, were mailed to each property owner.

Mr. Tyler, based on this information withdrew his motion.

No further business being brought before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 9:09 PM until 10:00 AM March 1, 1983, when the Australian Balloting was to take place.

Respectfully submitted:
MARGARET PHILLIPA BURDEN,
Town, Clerk

Approved:
RHYS EVANS, Moderator

TOWN MEETING, AUSTRALIAN BALLOT, MARCH 1, 1983, SUMMARY SHEET TOWN AND SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOTS

Article 13. State and Local Assistance Act of 1972:

Item #	Tally	#1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Totals
1. YES		71	68	59	67	69	46		110	490
NO										4
2. YES		66	62	50	58	60	35		94	425
NO										54
3. YES		69	64	58	67	68	44		109	479
NO										16
4. YES		68	64	57	65	65	42		110	471
NO										19
5. YES		64	67	55	63	66	45		103	463
NO										28
6. YES		65	64	53	66	63	42		106	459
NO										29
7. YES		58	59	54	64	57	37		102	431
NO										52
8. YES		58	57	46	58	53	31		95	398
NO										84
9. YES		58	52	43	51	49	21		94	368
NO										109
10. YES		63	65	54	64	65	41		105	457
NO										33
11. YES		62	66	54	63	63	38		102	448
NO										37
12. YES		55	60	37	49	52	27		85	365
NO										107

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate account of the votes cast on the above described article.

Harold Beebe, Presiding Officer

Lucille W. Fay
Other election official

Received for record March 1, 1983 at 10:11 PM

Attest:
Margaret Phillips Burden, Town Clerk

OATHS OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED FOLLOWING CERTIFICATION OF RESULTS:

I hereby certify that I personally administered the oaths of office to the following elected officers on March 1, 1983 at 10:15 PM: William Whitehead Calfee, Selectman, 1 year; John P. Stannard, School Director, 2 years.

Attest:

Margaret Phillips Burden, Town Clerk

Dresnok	24	25	29	23	15	29	11	23	174
Stannard	69	41	31	19	19	49	26	41	295

19 Write in 3

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate record of the voting by Australian Ballot in the Town of Dorset, Vermont, March 1, 1983, for the items indicated.

Harold Beebe, Justice of the Peace, Presiding Officer

Lucille W. Fay

Other election official

Received for record, March 1, 1983 at 10:11 PM.

Attest:

Margaret Phillips Burden, Town Clerk

**TOWN OF DORSET BOARD OF ABATEMENT
DECEMBER 12, 1983**

THE BOARD OF ABATEMENT WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD JOHN N. STANNARD AT 7:35 P.M. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: WALTER READ, SR., JOHN N. STANNARD, MERRIOM SPOFFORD, HAROLD BEEBE, DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR, WILLIAM CALFEE, ROBERT VOOHRIS, JR., AND DENISE M. HEBERT.

ABATED TAXES

The first item for consideration was the William and Suzanne Melhado Property. It was suggested by the State of Vermont Board of Appraisers that the property value was listed too high and should have been lowered, the adjustment was made in effect on the 1982 Grand List. The State advised the Board of Civil Authority to abate the balance on the tax figures for the years. Total abated by the Board was October 1982 of \$70.55 and March 1983 of \$75.65. A Motion was made by William Calfee and seconded by Walter Read, Sr., that the taxes should be abated. The vote was unanimous.

The second item was the Long Trail School Property, which should be abated, the property was listed in error and should have been exempt by State Law since this is a public school. The total abated was March 1983 for \$589.18. The Motion was made by Merriom Spofford and seconded by Robert Voohris, Jr. All voted unanimous to this motion.

The third item for consideration was James Fasholtz for Dorset Village Stamps, which carried an inventory tax assessment but discontinued operation in middle of 1981. The motion was made to abate the taxes by Walter Read, Sr., and was seconded by Merriom Spofford, and voted all unanimous. The abated taxes were October 1981 \$311.22, March Reg. \$199.29 and March Sp. 1982 \$27.30, October 1982 \$226.59 and March 1983 \$242.97. Total abated was \$1007.37

The fourth item for abatement was John Hicks, Antiques which is uncollectable at this time and was noted that there is no possible way to put a lien on the property since it is no longer in business. The motion was made by Walter Read, Sr., and seconded by Merriom Spofford, the total of taxes that were abated was October 1982 \$41.50 and March 1983 \$44.50. All in favor of the abatement unanimous to the motion.

The fifth item for consideration was Domar Stone Corporation, it was listed in error, and should have been removed in previous years from the Grand List. The motion was made by Robert Voohris, Jr., and was seconded by Walter Read, Sr., all were in favor of the motion, no one opposed. The total amount of abated taxes were: October 1978 \$24.00, March 1979 \$14.75, October 1979 \$24.75, June 1980 \$15.75, October 1980 \$26.75, March 1981 \$16.25, October 1981 \$28.50, March Reg. 1982 \$18.25, March Sp. \$2.50, October 1982 \$20.75 and March \$22.25

With no further items for discussion, William Calfee moved the meeting adjourned, Robert Voohris, Jr., seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise M. Hebert
Town Clerk, Board of Abatement

TOWN OF DORSET WARNING

Legal voters of the Town of Dorset, County of Bennington, State of Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Dorset Elementary School, Dorset, Vermont on the 5th day of March, 1984, at the hour of 7:30 o'clock in the evening to transact any business not involving voting by Australia Ballot, and on the 6th day of March, 1984, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon to transact voting by Australian Ballot as required by law.

(Articles 2-8-16 will be on Australian Ballot on March 6th. Polls will close at 7 o'clock P.M. on March 6th.)

Article 1: To hear reports of Town Officers and take proper action on same.

Article 2: To elect Town Officers for the ensuing year. To be voted by Australian Ballot. Officers to be elected as follows:

Moderator, Town	1 year
Moderator, School District	1 year
Town Clerk, Town	3 years
Town Clerk, School	3 years
Selectmen	1 year
Selectmen	1 year
Selectmen	3 years
Selectmen	3 years
(Balance due to resignation, Term expires in 1986.)	
School Director	2 years
School Director	3 years
Lister	2 years
Auditor	3 years
First Constable	1 year
Second Constable	1 year
Delinquent Tax Collector, Town & School	1 year
Grand Juror, West Side	1 year
Grand Juror, East Side	1 year
Town Agent	1 year

Article 3: Shall the Town elect to use the Australian Ballot for the following articles at Town Meeting henceforth?

#1 - To see if the voters shall approve the Selectmen's Official budget as submitted in the Town Report.

#2 - State and Local Assistance Act of 1972. (Revenue Sharing).

#3 - All petitioned monetary Articles.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise money by taxation or otherwise to pay current expenses of the Town.

Article 5: Shall the names of delinquent taxpayers, Real Estate, and Personal Property be published in the Town Report if delinquent on December 31?

Article 6: To see if the legal voters will authorize the collection of all Property Taxes on or before October 5, 1984 with no discount and delinquent interest at the maximum rate allowed by law.

Article 7: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to take advantage of any State or Federal monies available.

Article 8: To see if the voters shall approve the Selectmen's official budget as submitted with the Town Report. To be voted by Australian Ballot.

Article 9: To see if the voters will approve the sum of \$25,000.00 towards finishing the new Town Office Building renovation

Article 10: Will the Town of Dorset vote the sum of \$1,500.00 to the Dorset Nursing Association, Inc.? By petition.

Article 11: To see if the Town will approve the sum of three thousand dollars (3,000.00) for 1984 for the Manchester Rescue Squad.

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote a sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) to the Southwestern Vermont Area Agency on Aging to be used for the Nutrition Program and other supportive services for the elderly in East Dorset.

Article 13: Will the Town of Dorset appropriate \$1,250.00 to the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (R.S.V.P.) for support of its activities?

Article 14. Will the town direct its representative(s) and senator(s) in the state legislature to vote in favor of adopting a resolution, currently known as J.R.H. 21, calling for the Congress to call a convention for the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require a balanced federal budget?

Article 15: To see if the legal voters will authorize the Selectmen to enter into contracts with commercial and industrial real estae owners pursuant to 24 V.S.A. 2741?

Article 16: To see if the Town will approve the following amendments to the Zoning By-Laws pursuant to 24 V.S.A., Chapter 117, as presented and revised by the Planning Commission reflecting public input at a Public Hearing on November 21, 1983 and as unanimously approved by the Board of Selectmen after the 2nd hearing held on January 9, 1984. To be voted by Australian Ballot.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Section 2: Districts

2.1 Division into Districts

Open Lands

Forest

F Districts

Conservation

C Districts

Public Water (Aquifer) Protection Areas

CA Districts

NOTE: Establishes a new overlay district for public water protection around the water supply source of the Dorset Fire District #1 and the East Dorset Fire District #1.

Section 3: General Regulations

3.4 Administrative Requirements

3.4.3 In addition to the general standards for a conditional use in this section the following is added: the location of existing or proposed sanitary sewage systems, in accordance with Special Regulations in 9.2. Note: This provision provided additional review of sewage disposal systems near streams and drainageways.

3.5 Limitations

3.5.2 State or community (municipality) owned and operated institutions and facilities;

3.5.5 Public and Private Hospitals

3.5.6 A state licensed or registered community care home serving not more than six persons who are developmentally disabled or physically handicapped, shall be considered by right to constitute a permitted single-family residential use of property, except that no such home shall be so considered if it locates within 1,000 feet of another such home. The intent of the State statute has been interpreted as not to include facilities for drug-alcohol rehabilitation, insane persons or contagious diseases.

NOTE: Amendments in this section are intended to conform to State law.

3.7 Plot Plan. The plot plan requirements is changed to include designation of water sources or sewage disposal areas in relation to a brook or pond on the property or

adjacent property within 50 feet, in accordance with Special Regulations 9.2, and any other information the Zoning Administrator may require.

Section 4: Residential Districts

- 4.11 Permitted Uses in R.R. Districts
- 4.11.3 Rooming Houses and Tourist Homes, provided that off-street parking requirements of 9.31.5 are met. (See definitions, Appendix 1.18 and 1.20)
- 4.11.4 Customary home occupation, carried on in a dwelling or in a building accessory thereto by a resident of the premises, with not more than four employees who are not resident thereon provided that such use does not change the residential appearance thereof nor create a nuisance. One unlighted identification sign not to exceed four square feet in area shall be permitted.
- 4.11.5 Farming, including dairying, orchards, truck gardening, keeping of poultry.
- 4.11.8 Woodlots and forestry, including on-site preparation of firewood/cordwood at temporary location by a landowner or as part of a logging contract. (See also special Regulation 9.7).
- 4.12 Conditional Uses permitted in R.R. districts.
- 4.12.4 A bona-fide club, including a golf club, the principal activity of which is not carried on as a business, provided a building for human occupancy shall be not less than 50 feet from a lot line or a street line and further provided that off-street parking facilities in accordance with 9.31.2 can be complied with, and that such does not create a nuisance.
- 4.12.5 A convalescent home, or home of the aged serving seven or more persons.
- 4.12.12 A municipally operated solid waste disposal area or municipally operated sanitary landfill.
- 4.12.13a The operation of rock, sand and gravel pits, and top soil removal in accordance with special regulations 9.6.
 - b Extractive industries for the removal of minerals, gas and oil, provided that all applicable state and federal laws are complied with and would not cause pollution on the property of any adjacent landowner by way of excessive noise, dust, or traffic or of any other nature which would tend to disturb residents on adjoining property or anywhere in the Town.
- 4.12.14 A firewood/cordwood processing operation that produces 20 or more (4'x4'x8') cords per year. (See Special Regulation 9.7)
- 4.14.1 For single-family and two family dwellings and other permitted and conditional structures on a single un-affiliated lot, and for dwellings and accessory uses in a minor subdivision. (See Definition 1.19)
- 4.14.2 For single-family and two-family dwellings in a major subdivision. (See Definition 1.19 Major subdivision)
- 4.2 Village Residence (VR) Districts
- 4.21.3 Rooming houses or tourist homes, provided off-street parking requirements of 9.31.5 are met (See Definitions 1.18 and 1.20)
- 4.21.4 Customary home occupations carried on in a dwelling, or in a building accessory thereto, by a resident of the premises, with not more than four employees who are not resident therein, provided that such use does not change the residential appearance thereof nor create a nuisance. One unlighted identification sign not to exceed two square feet in area shall be permitted.
- 4.22 Conditional Uses Permitted in VR Districts
- 4.22.4 A bona-fide club, including a golf club, the principal activity of which is not carried on as a business, provided a building for human occupancy shall not be less than 50 feet from a lot line or a street line, and provided further that off-street parking facilities in accordance with 9.31.2 can be complied with and that such use does not create a nuisance.
- 4.22.6 A convalescent home or home for the aged serving seven or more persons.

Section 5: Open Lands District

5.1 Forest (F) District

5.10 Purpose (the following is added to the purpose statement) For the purpose of this By-Law the Forest District shall consist of all lands in Dorset above 2000' in elevation, excluding any portion of the Public Water (Aquifer) Protection Areas shown on the Town Zoning Map which are above 2000'.

5.11 Omit the following: For the purposes of this By-Law the Forest District shall consist of all lands in Dorset above 2000' elevation and within public water system watersheds.

5.12 Conditional Uses Permitted in Forest Districts.

5.12.1 Omit Single family dwellings on a minimum lot area of five acres.

5.12.2 Omit an organized camp for adults, families, or children, whether operated for profit or not, provided that the lot area is not less than 25 acres.

5.12.3 Is renumbered to 5.12.1.

5.12.4 Is renumbered to 5.12.2.

5.2 Conservation Districts (C)

5.20 Public Water (Aquifer) Protection Areas (CA)

5.21 Purpose

To encourage land use which is compatible with the need to protect existing or potential public or private water systems and water sources. The Public Water (Aquifer) Protection Areas identified by the State Hydrogeologist, Department of Water Resources and Environmental Engineering, are shown on the Town Zoning Maps as special districts to achieve the stated purpose.

5.22 Permitted Uses in Public Water (Aquifer) Protection Areas (CA)

1. Tree Farming

2. Woodlots

3. Forestry in accordance with a management plan.

5.23 Conditional Uses permitted in public Water (Aquifer) Protection Areas.

1. Springhouses and reservoirs and accessory structures necessary to divert and conduct water from spring or springs.

2. Hiking or touring trails.

Section 6: Commercial and Industrial District

6.14 Conditional Uses Permitted in CI Districts

6.14.2 Any commercial or industrial use excluding privately operated solid waste or septage disposal or sanitary landfills, may be permitted as a conditional use if in conformance with the provisions of 3.4.3 and the dimensional requirements of 6.16, subject to the following conditions: (note: same conditions)

6.16 *Max. building coverage, percent... 2 to 3 acres 15%

... 3 to 6 acres 20%

... 6 or more acres 25%

*Any resubdivision or resale of industrial/commercial lots shall conform to the approved development plan for the entire tract in accordance with the maximum building coverage standards.

6.2 Village Commercial (VC) District

6.23 Permitted Uses in VC Districts

6.23.5 Hotels and motels, provided that the water and on-site sewage systems meet town and State requirements.

Section 7: Cluster Subdivision

7.11 Where Permitted

Cluster subdivision may be permitted as a conditional use in any Rural Residential District in accordance with the provisions of this sub-section provided that the tract of land to be subdivided contains 10 acres or more in gross area located in its entirety, including open space, within the RR District, and provided further that the sanitary sewage disposal facilities comply with the regulations of the Vermont Department of Health.

7.12 Permitted Uses in Cluster Subdivisions

7.12.2 Omit Garden Apartments

7.12.3 Becomes 7.12.2

7.12.4 Becomes 7.12.3

7.12.5 Becomes 7.12.4

7.22 Omit Condominiums in entirety

Section 9: Special Regulations

9.13 Reconstruction of Non-complying buildings

9.13 a Nothing in this By-Law shall prevent the restoration or reconstruction within three years of a building damaged or destroyed by fire, explosion, accident or by the public enemy, subsequent to the adoption of this by-law, to its condition prior to such damage or destruction, nor prevent the restoration of an unsafe wall or structural member, provided the original dimensions of the structure are not exceeded.

9.13 b Nothing in this By-Law shall prevent the taking down of a pre-existing, non-complying building to be replaced at its original site, providing that the original dimensions are not exceeded. A permit for demolition shall be required and for any reconstruction within the three year period permitted.

9.6 Removal of Top-Soil, Rock, Sand, Gravel

The following regulations shall apply to all new operations for removal of rock, sand, gravel and top-soil, and for enlargement of the areas of those pits which have not been used since the adoption of this By-Law (March 1973), in which case the review by the Board of Adjustment and application of the following standards shall apply only to the enlarged area.

1. A plan shall be submitted by the applicant which shows the existing grades in the area from which the material is to be removed and proposed finished grades at the conclusion of the operation.
2. When the removal of material is completed, the finished grades, as specified in the plan, shall be covered with two inches of topsoil and seeded with a suitable cover crop, except where ledge rock is exposed.
3. The operator shall provide for proper drainage for the area of the operation during and after completion, and no bank shall exceed a slope of one foot of vertical rise in two feet of horizontal distance except in ledge rock. No removal shall take place within 20 feet of a property line except that when the grade from a property line rises towards the lot where removal is to take place, material lying above the grade at the property line may be removed.
4. The Board of Adjustment may, as a condition of issuing a permit, place a time restriction on the operation, subject to renewal.

9.7 Firewood/Cordwood Processing (RR Districts)

A firewood/cordwood processing operation that produces 20 or more (4'x4'x8') cords per year trucked to one location as a continuing operation by either the landowner or contractor shall be considered a conditional use subject to review by the Board of Adjustment. Before issuing a permit, the Board, following all procedures of 3.4.3, shall consider the character of the neighborhood, any adverse effects on neighboring property, and may restrict hours of operation and

truck deliveries. An operation that produces less than 20 cords per year does not require a permit.

Appendix A: Definitions

- 1.4 Multiple Dwelling Omit
- 1.7 Garden Apartment Omit and insert "G"
- 1.18 Rooming House: A dwelling where rooms in the principal dwelling house for more than two or less than eleven people are offered for hire with or without meals. (Rooming house includes boarding house or lodging house.)
- 1.20 Tourist Cabin and definition Omit. Substitute Tourist Home for Tourist House and retain the definition.

Zoning Map

The Zoning Map is amended to include the designation of two Public Water (Aquifer) Protection Zones (CA) around the water supply sources of the Dorset Fire District #1 and the East Dorset Fire District #1. Available for inspection at the Town Office Building.

Article 17: To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.

Robert Thum
Robert Wells Brown
William Mahlmann
Charles Stewart
William Calfee

Received for Record on January 27, 1984 A.D. At 5:38 P.M. and recorded in Vol. 9 Page 203 of Records.

Attest: Denise M. Hebert,
Dorset Town Clerk

WARNING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

The legal voters of the Town School District of Dorset, County of Bennington, State of Vermont, are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Dorset Elementary School in South Dorset on the 5th day of March, 1984 at the hour of 7:30 o'clock in the evening of said day to transact any business not involving voting by Australian Ballot or voting required by law to be by Ballot and on the SIXTH day of March 1984, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to transact any business involving voting by Australian Ballot or voting required by law to be by Ballot. Polls will close at 7:00 o'clock in the evening on March 6th.

Article 1. To hear the reports of the officers of the Dorset Town School District and to take proper action on the same.

Article 2. To elect Town School District Officers for the ensuing year. To be voted by Australian Ballot.

Article 3. To vote a sum of money necessary for the support of the public school for the fiscal year of July 1, 1984 to June 30, 1985.

Article 4. To authorize the School Board to borrow money by issuance of notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the school year.

Article 5. To see if the legal voters will authorize the collection of property taxes for the Dorset School District Budgetary Fund, one half on or before October 5, 1984, the second half on or before March 15, 1985, at no discount and delinquent interest at maximum allowed by law.

Article 6. To determine what compensation the Town School District will pay its officers for the ensuing year. *same rate as Selectmen 250⁰⁰*

Article 7. To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.

RUTH McGRATH, Chairman
GEOFFREY NORMAN
CHERYL DRESNOK
JOHN P. STANNARD, Clerk
PETER DEE

*Inc Selectmen from
250 to 520
1st Selectmen 150*

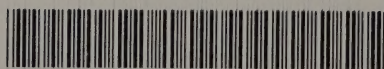
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